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Local comprehensive school picks up a national sports award at Stamford Bridge

EARLIER this month, the head of PE at Cowbridge Comprehensive, Mr Neil Thomas, head boy Vikram Devalia, and year-11 pupil Bethan Moorcraft, travelled to Stamford Bridge in London to attend the prestigious National School Sports Awards 2009.

Hosted by Aviva and the *Daily Telegraph*, the awards ceremony is designed to recognise excellence and hard work in physical education. The venue for this year's event was the home of star-studded Chelsea FC.

Cowbridge had been shortlisted from hundreds of entrants in the

'State School Of The Year' category.

Guests for the event included the double Olympic gold medallist James Cracknell, Olympic gold medallists Sally Gunnell and Marlon Devonish, Iwan Thomas, Brian Moore, Roger Uttley, Alan Pascoe, David Weir and Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson.

The main presentation was hosted by double Olympic gold medallist Dame Kelly Holmes.

Following a tour of Stamford Bridge (where a hospitality box for 10 seasons will cost you £2.5 million), the school representatives were invited to a drinks reception and lunch with the star guests.

With Sky Sports cameras filming the awards, Dame Kelly Holmes announced the winner of

the Male Award, Olympic diver Tom Daley of Plymouth College. The female award went to Rebecca James, while Millfield won Independent School of the Year.

Cowbridge Comprehensive School finished in third place in the Best State School in the UK section.

Accepting the award, Mr Neil Thomas acknowledged the hard work and dedication of the physical education department at the school.

He also highlighted the support given by the school parents, school staff, caretakers, cleaners, office staff and dinner ladies as being a vital and integral part of the success.

He concluded by suggesting that the key factor was that Cowbridge Comprehensive School



is fortunate to have such talented, dedicated and enthusiastic pupils.

This was the first time that a Welsh comprehensive school has been recognised at the

National Awards.

Mr Thomas said: "It is an honour that the department, pupils, school and community respectively, are extremely proud of."

ABOVE: Mr Neil Thomas, Bethan Moorcraft and Vikram Devalia are presented with the award.

Vale village is hit by nails on the road

Police in the Vale are seeking information from the public after nails were scattered on the road in Peterston-super-Ely.

Station Terrace and Station Road were targeted on Monday, October 5, resulting in a number of puncture repairs or new tyres to some vehicles.

The Highways Department was called out to clear the road.

Peterston-super-Ely Neighbourhood PCSO Matt Smith said: "Peterston-super-Ely is a very safe place and behaviour such as this is very unusual."

"We are appealing for anyone with any information about this incident to contact us."

"Local residents have even collected them from the road themselves. The nails appear to be the roofing type, which are approximately 40mm with large flat

heads and are galvanised."

He added: "We have also had reports of fencing being cut, which can also be very dangerous, as it allows livestock to stray onto the highway and possibly into the village."

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is asked to contact PCSO Matt Smith at Cowbridge police station on 101, or anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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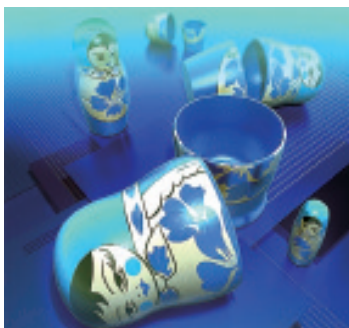
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Thanks for the fashion week!

ON behalf of the Cowbridge Chamber of Trade, I would like to extend our thanks to the team who worked so hard on Cowbridge Fashion Week.

It was, once again, highly successful, and the traders really appreciate the efforts made by Awen Evans, Esther Hitchcock, Emma Hartman and Sue Marshall, and all who made the event so special.

Alun John,
chairman of Cowbridge Chamber of Trade

Think long term on Waterfront

IOPEN my GEM and the first thing I see is yet another letter bemoaning the folly and lack of imagination regarding the non development of Barry Waterfront.

The name of the game is quite simply profit for the developers - as many houses as can possibly be packed into the available space that can then be sold on for a profit. Fine, nothing wrong with profit - it's what creates prosperity and jobs, and yes, people do need houses, that I'll not deny.

I grew up in the post war years, when housing

was acutely short.

But let's think long term here - what happens when the last of those houses has been built and sold?

Where's the profit and prosperity then?

Barry needs something sustainable, an investment for the future generations.

There is a Cree Indian prophecy:

When the last tree has been cut down,

When the last fish has been caught,

When the last river has been poisoned,

Only then will you learn that money cannot be eaten.

Be warned!

David Alexander,
Barry Island

RNLI race night is a success

THE Barry fundraising branch of the RNLI would like to thank the manager and staff of the Cadoxton Conservative Club, Barry, and all who sponsored its 'Race Night'.

A special thank you must go to the anonymous person who sent us

a donation of £50 with a little note signed 'Bounty' - for which we were very grateful.

With everyone's help, we raised a total of £620.

To become a volunteer fundraiser or to find out more on how you can help with fundraising, contact Jennie on 01446 734888 or Chris on 01446 732195.

Jennie Williams
fundraising secretary

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COUNCIL STOCK TRANSFER: HOW CAN TENANTS DECIDE?

IATTENDED the Vale Council meeting last week to hear the debate relating to the potential transfer of the council's housing stock to a private landlord.

Tenants are to be given the opportunity to vote on this matter, which will have huge repercussions on the way the housing stock is managed, and upon the council itself.

A significant part of the meeting consisted of a presentation by

the police telling councillors what a great job the police are doing reducing crime, which was followed by the chairpersons of the scrutiny committees describing the wonderful job they've also done.

We all know that self-praise is no recommendation, and I suspect most councillors attending that meeting would agree!

As a result, my motivation to attend future meetings has taken a severe and perhaps fatal blow. Music to some ears I suspect.

The debate relating to the council house transfer was

informed by a business plan drawn up by the council's consultants who are called 'Tribal'.

A most interesting name since it neatly summarised the content of councillors' contributions to the discussion, and much of the content of the accompanying report.

However, one or two points of value were raised, but it did leave me wondering where on earth tenants are going to get quality information and balanced advice before they decide upon which way to vote?

Dennis Harkus, Barry

The Defence Technical College: 'Local people have real concerns'

IWRITE in connection with Simon Bailey's recent letter on the planning approval given for the Defence Technical College (DTC) and the Aerospace Park.

At the meeting which took place on July 15 at the Old Llantion Hall in Llantwit Major, two AMs were present. The local community was told that the plans would not automatically be rubber-stamped, and that the concerns of the local community would not be overlooked but would be taken into account when the final

decision was taken.

It would appear that our AMs have no influence on the outcome of matters in their constituencies, so why do they go through the process of making out that they can do so?

A number of articles and letters were published in The GEM following that meeting.

A number of topics were raised and one such topic was the northern access route and its height above the ground.

The question was raised that the road would be 2.7 metres above ground height. Mr Davies, on behalf of Metrix, denied that the

road would be built 2.7 metres above ground level and answered that much of the road would be in a cutting and would follow the existing ground profiles and would be no higher than 0.3-0.6 metres above the existing ground level.

However, it would be slightly higher as it crosses Llanmaes Brook. This was all as reported in The GEM.

In the last few days, a copy of the bridge drawings for Llanmaes Brook has been shown to me; this shows a somewhat different picture. Whereas it was implied that the bridge would be quite low and inconspicuous, the reality of the matter is just the opposite.

The overall length of the bridge is in excess of 60 metres. The bridge

is high enough to allow a farmer's tractor to pass underneath adjacent to the eastern abutment (detailed on the plan).

On the basis of this, allowing 3.5 metres for the tractor and its driver, 1-2 metres for the physical construction of the bridge and 1-1.5 metres for the railings, this equates to some seven metres above the general lie of the land; it will be even higher directly above the brook.

Once again, it would appear local residents are not getting the full and correct picture, but are being told what it is believed we want to hear.

Sqn Ldr PG Boley
(Retired),
Llantwit Major

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL OCTOBER 29)

The high tides listed in The GEM are those in Barry. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Porthcawl, the high point will be 15-20 minutes earlier.

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23 Fri	10.36	13.6	22.54	13.1
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25 Sun	11.39	12.1	23.57	11.7
26 Mon			12.31	11.6
27 Tues	00.58	11.3	13.54	11.2
28 Wed	02.39	11.3	15.21	11.5
29 Thur	03.55	11.6	16.19	12.3

Making votes count for armed forces family

ITHOUGHT your readers might like to know that there is an easy way in which they can ensure that those standing as candidates at the next general election do their bit for the whole Armed Forces family.

The Royal British Legion has published its own general election manifesto, outlining

what it wants the next government to do to help Service personnel and their families, bereaved armed forces families and the ex-Service community.

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TC O'Sullivan MBE
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The Barry Hospital - visiting 2pm-8pm each day, 01446 704000. Llandough - Wards have individual visiting times. For details call 029 2071 1711. Princess of Wales - 01656 752752/668090.

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'Shall we dance?'



LEFT: 'Strictly' fever hit Llanfair Primary School last week when Craig Revel Horwood came to visit.

The TV show's Mr Nasty was there to see a prize-winning dance by the pupils, but when learning support assistant Pat Curnow asked him to dance, he twirled her round the school hall!

(For full details, and more photographs by Malcolm Nugent, see page 12)

'School anniversary is a chance to learn about our grandparents and ancestors'

THE 150th anniversary of Llansannor and Llanharry Church in Wales School has given the children a chance to learn something of how their grandparents lived, and also the Victorians, as the headteacher Mr Paul Fisher told The GEM.

Mr Fisher, who has served as the headteacher for 19 years, said: "The children have been very enthusiastic about the historical projects we have undertaken in connection with the anniversary.

"We decided to study two particular periods of the social history of the school – 50 years ago, because that would have been when their grandparents may have been attending school; and 150 years ago because that was when the school

started."

To mark the anniversary, the children have used their creative skills to bring to life the theme 'improving our school environment'.

Colourful murals, unique wood sculptures, a prayer totem in the prayer garden and a 'Mountain School' mosaic brighten the school's surroundings.

The Bishop of Wales, Dr Barry Morgan will join the school on its official 150th birthday – November 5.

Mr Fisher said: "In March 2000 the Archbishop opened the redeveloped school, including six classrooms and the admin block, so it is appropriate that he is returning for the anniversary.

"He is fantastic with the children, and they will be helping with the assembly service on that day."

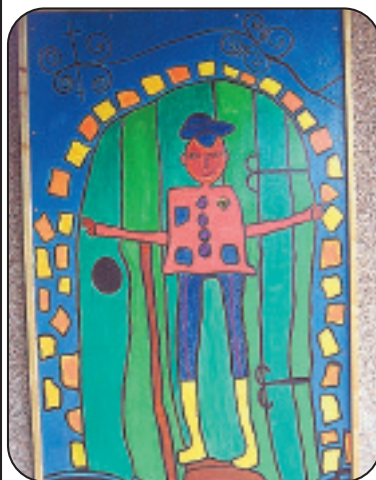
(See stories on page 14)



ABOVE: Mr Paul Fisher is looking forward to welcoming the Archbishop of Wales, Dr Barry Morgan, to the school on November 5 when it celebrates its 150th birthday.



RIGHT: The children were helped to produce this by a local sculptor and the ideals carved into it say 'This is an I can school' and 'We are a caring school.'



RIGHT: This intriguing 'prayer totem' is to be found in the school's prayer garden.



LEFT: This mural represents the entrance to Holy Cross Church in Cowbridge.

COWBRIDGE IS BUZZING OVER FOOD FESTIVAL

EXCITEMENT is building in Cowbridge as the town adds the final touches to preparations for its food and drink festival (this weekend, October 24/25).

Now in its seventh year, organisers of the event are confident that they have hit on a winning formula – and they continue to build on it year by year.

This year, the Cowbridge Chamber of Trade – a body that has supported the festival since its inception – is sponsoring a special competition, aimed at the children.

Chairman Alun John told The GEM: "We have hidden 10 real pumpkins around the town. Each has a chamber of trade logo, and they will be in shop windows, and in sites around the food festival.

"Simply pick up an entry form from one of the two festival information points (in front of the town hall, or in the main marquee) and hand it in when you have found all 10.

"Alternatively, there is an entry form on page 11 of this week's GEM."

He added: "There is a first prize of £30, second is £20, and a third prize of £10 – so good luck!"

Hanging baskets are thrown into the river



LEFT: Vandals have struck again at Penny Lane, ripping down decorative hanging baskets and throwing them into the river.

VANDALS have struck along Penny Lane in Cowbridge for the second time within 12 months – ripping down the decorative hanging baskets that had brightened the popular shopping area since the spring.

Sarah Smith, the property manager of S Andrews & Son, told The GEM: "Last year the hanging baskets were pulled down just after the reindeer parade.

"Last night (October 20-21) someone yanked them off the hooks and threw them into the river.

There were nine hanging baskets and they had been up since the spring – it's very disappointing, particularly as Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival is taking place this weekend."

Sarah is looking into whether some of the baskets can be retrieved in time for the weekend.

Melanie James, the owner of The Linen Cupboard, said: "I'm gutted – the baskets were still in flower, and I'd stand on a chair to water them.

"They gave a lot of pleasure. Why does someone do this?"

Police are investigating the incident.

Elderly couple 'upset' over dog mess puzzle

AN elderly Cowbridge couple fear that they have been wrongly singled out as guilty of leaving dog mess in the area – even though they don't have a dog!

The couple, who wish to remain anonymous, told the GEM that they do, occasionally, look after their daughter's dog, but that they have not done so for six months.

However, they recently awoke to find a hole dug in their garden, in which a pile of dog mess had been deposited.

PCSO Hilary O'Callaghan told The GEM: "I can confirm that the couple do not own a dog, so it could be that someone wrongly thinks that they are guilty of leaving dog mess around."

She added: "I know that this has been upsetting for the couple."

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Cornish choir comes to town!

THE Mount's Bay Singers from Penzance, Cornwall, will be joining forces with local Cowbridge Choir, Cor Meibion Y Machlud, in a special charity concert to be held in Cowbridge Town Hall on Wednesday, October 28, at 7.30pm.

In aid of Cancer Research, the concert will feature two young soloists, Laura Nicholas from Cornwall, and Josh Lewis from South Wales. The mixed-voice choir from Cornwall will combine with the male voices

of Cor Meibion Y Machlud for some of the programme.

The Cornish choir is on a short tour of south Wales and has been busy learning some Welsh language items, so that they can entertain the audience with some traditional songs.

Their music director, Sheila Farmer, has some strong Welsh connections and is looking forward to her visit. The 30-strong group also intend to carry out some sightseeing. For many, it will be their first visit to Cowbridge.

Tickets are still available from D Brown and Son, Eastgate, Cowbridge (01446) 774490 at £5 (concessions £4).

Transition offer tips on energy saving in the home

TRANSITION Cowbridge marks Energy Saving Week with a talk on 'Energy Efficiency in the Home' by the Energy Saving Trust.

There will be practical advice on how to save energy, save money and stay warm this winter, including details of the

grants available for insulation, boilers and renewable energy sources.

The event will take place at 7.30pm on Tuesday, October 27, in the Lesser Hall, Cowbridge.

For details contact: transitioncowbridge@googlegmail.com or call Rob McGhee/Dinky Kennedy on 01446 775686.

That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

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(Cowbridge Christian Fellowship)

COWBRIDGE COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL SPORTS REPORT

Senior soccer team beat Atlantic College in the cup

SOCCER
COWBRIDGE Comprehensive School senior soccer squad secured a thrilling 3-2 victory over Atlantic College.

The college side were full of Brazilians, Italians and Argentines, but the hard-tackling school side were better organised.

Cowbridge opened the scoring with a cool Mike Rosser slotting home when one-on-one with the South African 'keeper.

Atlantic College equalised with a superb solo effort from Italian striker Rossi.

With captain Morgan Hopkins bossing the midfield, Cowbridge managed to force an own goal soon after half time. Hopkins once again was in the thick of the action and supplied a great free kick delivery for Tom Howson to extend the lead 3-1.

Five minutes before full time, Hopkins brought down Brazilian striker Zico in the box

with a mis-timed tackle. Video evidence would later prove the penalty as being the correct decision.

The college scored to make it a nervous last few minutes, but the school held on for a great win.

NETBALL

THE year-8 and 9 netball teams played Llantwit Major School recently.

The year-8s continued their winning streak, pushing ahead by 8-4 at half-time. A great team performance saw the girls triumph at full time.

The year-9 team came under much tougher competition from a fast and skilful Llantwit team. Despite some excellent attacking play between Liz Whitehouse, Hannah Taylor, Nancie Edwards and Mairi Boxall, the game finished in a 6-15 win for Llantwit.

Player of the match: Year-8, Sarah Lewis and Hannah Woodwood; year-9, Liz Whitehouse

and Mairi Boxall.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Whitehouse from year-9 who has been selected for the Cardiff and Vale under-14 county netball squad, and to Molly Williams of year-11, who has been selected for the Cardiff and Vale under-16 county netball squad.

HOCKEY

THE year-9 hockey team played against Bro Morgannwg, with the Cowbridge defence playing well to keep the final score at 2-0 to Bro Morgannwg.

Anna Wynne (player of the match) was outstanding in defence, with back up from Emma Dando, Maria Boxall and Nancie Roberts Smith.

The attack only had a few opportunities to score. Angharad Davies crossed powerfully but no-one could get on the end of them to score.

A big thank you goes to stand-in goalkeeper Hannah Taylor, who stepped up to the challenge.

The year-8 hockey team travelled to Porthcawl to play their second match of the season. With five of the usual players playing netball, it gave an opportunity for other year-8 pupils to play.

Emma Atkins stepped in again to play goalkeeper and played really well, although two goals did get past her.

More goals would have been scored but

with excellent defending from player of the match Marcus Knevet, Josie Chivers, Georgina Hughes and excellent midfield play by Izzy Eddy Williams, who helped bring the ball down from the defending circle into attack.

The attack didn't have many opportunities but when they did, Kate Llewellyn and Camille Wilson Jenkins all played well.

The year-8 hockey team played two nights on the run after a defeat against Porthcawl.

With the netball girls back in the squad strengthening the team, the final result was in Cowbridge's favour, winning 2-0 with goals from Hannah Woodwood and Izzy Eddy Williams.

Again, Marcus Knevet played well in defence, stopping any goalscoring opportunities. Annabel Curle played her first game of the year and made a good contribution to the team's performance.

Player of the match was Izzy Eddy Williams.

CYCLING

LAST Sunday, Ruby Ellis (year-12) was the first junior girl in the south Wales stage of the Rudy Project time trial series, and finished third overall.

Well done Ruby, and look out Lance Armstrong!

Y BONT FAEN SCHOOL NEWS

A BUSY TIME FOR BOTH TEACHERS AND PUPILS



Y BONT FAEN GOES RAARH!
Y BONT FAEN were proud to welcome Ian Whybrow, author of the *Harry and the Dinosaurs* series, to their classrooms on Thursday.

Ian spoke to all the children – from nursery to year-6, regaling them with tales of Robin Hood, how he discovered Harry in a garden centre and teaching them how dinosaurs sound and move!

The year-5 and 6 children from Ysgol Iolo were also invited to come and join in the fun, bringing with them the Welsh translations of Ian's books.

Some of the Y Bont Faen's year-6 children were lucky enough to interview Ian and have uploaded their podcast (or Bontcast) to the school website – so why not click along and download it for yourselves!

DOODLE YOURSELF A 'BONT FIVE'!

THE children from Y Bont Faen's Eco Council and Healthy Schools group have worked with Doodle Dots to create the Y Bont

Five Smoothie!

The staff from Doodle Dots came to the school to give the children a taste of their current smoothies and explained how different combinations of fruits can be placed together to create something delicious.

The children chose a combination of fruits and designed posters to sell their newly created Y Bont Five (as it has five different fruits) smoothie.

"The children have gained so much from this project – language, maths and creative skills have all been used to

produce the final result," said Mr Griffiths, Y Bont Faen's new headteacher. "I can whole heartedly say it tastes delicious!"

The drink comes in three sizes, is a delightful shade of pink and is available to buy from Doodle Dots.

Y BONT FAEN GREEN-FINGERED WINNERS!

Y BONT Faen's Gardening Club have shown the Vale what a lot of hard work and commitment can do ... by

winning both school sections of the Vale in Bloom Competition!

Ably assisted by Mrs Adams, assistant headteacher and Mr Watson, chair of the PTA, the children have worked hard on developing the school allotment, sensory garden and vegetable planters – harvesting the fruits of their labours and selling it to the school community.

The two trophies will take pride of place within the school and as the Y Bont Faen family, we are immensely proud of them!

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Local under-13s need new keeper

COWBRIDGE Town under-13s are looking for a goalkeeper.

A spokesman said: "Our current keeper was only meant to be a temporary stand in, but has revealed a hidden talent for the role.

"However, he still wants to play outfield and we therefore need to recruit a dedicated goalie, or at least a player who is willing to share the role.

"The club would like to thank Alex Greaves for his commitment to putting the team's needs first while we try to find a long term solution.

"We play in the Vale of Glamorgan League and our home pitch is Comtown. Training will be at the Cowbridge Leisure Centre through the winter on a Monday evening, times vary."

The team is run by Alun Griffiths who can be contacted on 07794867240 or at alunhgriffiths@hotmail.com

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Vale of Glamorgan Council

The Vale of Glamorgan Council has prepared a Welsh Education Scheme setting out how we propose to deliver education services to you in Welsh and bilingually. We invite comments from members of the public who may be affected by the Scheme.

The draft may be viewed on our website at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk, or a free copy may be obtained by contacting:

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over the telephone, e-mail or via letter.

You may also inspect the draft scheme at the Vale of Glamorgan Civic Centre, the main Barry Library and all mobile libraries also at Barry Citizens Advice Bureau.

Send any comments to Lynette Jones by 18.12.09.

We will prepare a report based on these comments, to be submitted with the final Scheme to the Welsh Language Board for approval.

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ABOVE: The pupils made a special smoothie at Doodle Dots.



ABOVE: The garden club.

NEWS FROM ST DAVID'S CHURCH IN WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL, COLWINSTON

Pupils take a day to focus on teamwork



ABOVE: Children were encouraged to wear outfits which showed the teams they were a member of.

PUPILS from St David's recently held a 'Super Learning Day'.

The focus of the day was to teach the children the importance of team work. Children had a day off timetable to take part in workshops which encouraged them to think about the skills needed for effective team work.

During the day, the children worked in mixed age groups on collaborative art work, skipping activities, debating groups and activities to promote good listening skills.

Instead of wearing normal school uniform, the children wore uniforms from teams they are members of outside school.

This was an excellent way of promoting after school clubs and activities available to the children.

Both teaching staff and pupils had a fantastic team-building day!

Harvest festival

CHILDREN of St David's Primary School celebrated Harvest by holding a special service, which was written and led by

Year-1 teacher, Miss Lewis, held skipping workshops to encourage team work.



Year-3 children danced the 'Harvest Samba'.

the year-6 pupils and each class performed a song, drama or poem.

The reception children performed *Jingle Jangle Scarecrow* and

had their very own scarecrow!

The year-3 pupils performed a very lively 'harvest samba' with dancing and singing.

Year-5 pupils dramatised *The Enormous Turnip*.

All donations from the service were given to the Salvation Army.

Village speed checks

I HAD an interesting interview with PC Mellor at Cowbridge Police Station on Thursday, October 15, regarding the results of checks made about the speed of traffic through the village of Treoes, and on the Pencoed-Pentremeurig road.

PC Mellor's first check was in Treoes on August 27 at 8.55am, then on October 7 at 8.55am, and October 13 at 7.28am. The highest speed recorded was 29mph.

It is unlikely any of the drivers were aware of the speed checks taking place.

The Pencoed-Pentremeurig road came under scrutiny on July 3 and seven motorists exceeded the 30mph limit. There was one on August 3, and on August 27, two motorists were recorded.

The accolade for the most considerate drivers goes to the heavy goods vehicle drivers. My

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Disabled woman claims she can't get ambulance home – IT MUST BE A TWO-WAY TRIP – OR NO TRIP AT ALL

A DISABLED woman has claimed she was refused an ambulance to bring her home from a hospital check up, and says she was told she could only have an ambulance both ways – or not at all.

The woman, who lives in the Vale, rang to book an ambulance to bring her home from Rookwood Hospital in Cardiff, where she was

due to see her consultant and have a scan. Her husband was due to drive her to the hospital but was unable to stay.

The woman, who does not wish to be named, was shocked to be told that it was not ambulance policy to arrange a return trip only. She would either have to book an ambulance for both ways or find her own way home!

This was, ironically, after previous treatments were missed because the ambulance did not arrive

on time.

The case has been taken up by the Conservative parliamentary candidate Alun Cairns, who explained: "The lady in question had already missed two appointments for treatment because the ambulances turned up too late to take her."

"She was naturally anxious not to miss her appointment with the consultant, and did not want to risk going in by ambulance. This was partly why she wanted her husband take her."

"I am staggered at what she was told and will be questioning the Welsh Ambulance Trust to find out if this policy does exist. If so, it is high time it was altered."

"This lady cannot just be abandoned at the hospital. She has a right to be taken home and it is saving the ambulance service one leg of the trip."

Mr Cairns has been in touch with the chief executive of the Ambulance Trust in north Wales.

He said: "We need to get to the bottom of this."

"The Vale already has some abysmal response times for emergency ambulances, and now we have this problem with the hospital transport arrangements."

"I am keen to find out if any other patient has been in a similar position where they must book two journeys rather than one."

"It all seems to be a complete waste of money to me. I would urge anyone who has encountered this before to contact me with the details."

The GEM put Mr Cairns' information that ambulances had to be booked for both ways to the Welsh Ambulance Service, but it did not confirm whether this was standard procedure or not.

A spokesman for the service responded: "We are unable to comment on individual cases but if the patient or her family wish to contact us we are happy to discuss it directly with them."



COMMUNITY NEWS
LLANBETHERY & LLANCAFARN
Your community correspondents are
Sam & Patsie Smith on (01446) 751448

QUIZ NIGHTS

AS autumn runs into winter, the quiz nights at the Fox & Hounds. Please contact Sue or John for a booking.

The dates are Wednesday, November 4 and 18 and December 2.

They will start at 8pm and will be for teams of four. The cost will be £7.95, which will include supper.

WINE TASTING DINNER

A DINNER with Chateau du Seuil wines has been arranged for

Saturday, November 14, at the Fox & Hounds. Please contact Sue or John for a booking.

WHIST DRIVE

THE next Llancafarn Society Whist Drive will be on Tuesday, October 27 at the Village Hall at 7pm.

Admission is £1 and there will be prizes, a raffle and refreshments.

The dates for the next events are November 24 and December 29.

'The tale of an ironmonger'

**COLWINSTON/
LLYSWORNEY WI**

AT the monthly meeting in September, president Kath Jones took on the mantle of auctioneer at an sale of donated items.

With the inspiration of wine and snacks, a total of £43 was raised for WI funds.

At the October meeting, the guest speakers

were Stuart and Victoria Price, who talked about the history of the Leeke family and the book that Victoria's father, David Leeke, had written, entitled *An Ironmonger's Tale*. Books were sold, with proceeds going towards cancer research.

The next meeting will be held on November 9, and it will be the club annual general meeting, at 7.30pm, in Colwinston Village Hall.



COMMUNITY NEWS
TREOES, LLANGAN & ST MARY HILL
Your local correspondent is
Nancy Dawidge, 'Tynwydd', Llangan. (01656) 860303

thanks to PC Mellor for discussing this ongoing problem and to the two lady officers for making my visit so enjoyable.

Village roads

I AGREE with TP Varley in his recent letter in The GEM regarding the state of the roads in and around the Graig and Penllyn area.

I can assure the writer that we in the village of Llangan experience the same problems. One area outside the village is in need of work to fill in potholes. Whenever there is a period of heavy rain, the road becomes flooded.

Painting sessions

TREOES village hall has become the venue for a series of painting lessons on Wednesday afternoons, and they are proving popular with the villagers.

Cottrell ladies raise money for cancer charity



Toots Plant and Becky Roberts.

A FUNDRAISING day for the Breast Cancer Campaign was held recently by Cottrell Park ladies.

They played a four-ball better-ball competition on the Button course, where there was a penalty for anyone not wearing an article of pink clothing, as well as many other penalties on the course.

The competition was won by Helen Little and

Faith Crookes with 40 points and Toots Plant and Becky Roberts came second with 38 points.

This was followed by a raffle and guess the weight of the cake, which was won by Mary Davies.

A fun day was had by all, and Margaret Thomas, ladies captain, presented the prizes and thanked all the ladies for their help and support, as a total of £380 was raised.

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A reception pupil dressed as a scarecrow for their 'Jingle Jangle Scarecrow'.

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TWO MAYORS HOLD A SUMMIT MEETING

RECENTLY, the Mayor of the London borough of Southwark, Coun Jeff Hook, visited the Mayor of Barry Town Council, Councillor Howard Hamilton in the Barry Mayor's Parlour.

As reported in last week's GEM, Coun Hook was born and brought up in Barry, where he attended Jenner Park Primary School and Barry Boys



Southwark Mayor, Jeff Hook (left) with Barry Mayor Howard Hamilton.

Comprehensive School.

He moved to Southwark in 1987 and was first elected to Southwark Council to represent the

Rotherhithe Ward in a by-election in December 1998.

In May 2002, he was re-elected and served as chief whip.

Rotary helping victims of latest tsunami disaster

THANKS to the dedication of Barry Rotary members, vital relief supplies are heading to Samoa, the Philippines and American Samoa following the tsunami and earthquake.

The disasters have destroyed villages, leaving hundreds of people in chaos and worrying for missing loved ones. Water survival boxes, Shelterboxes and Aquaboxes will provide temporary homes and clean water during this terrible time.

Barry Rotary Club has donated two

Shelterboxes, which will provide two needy families with temporary living accommodation until something more permanent has been provided.

A spokesman said: "Money for this type of project, together with support for the local community, is raised by events such as the annual fireworks at Barry Island on November 5, so please give generously to the bucket collection."

If you think you or your organisation could help, please call the secretary of Barry Rotary Club, Carl Kerr, on 01446 745243.

Ty Hafan winners

THE following are winning numbers in the Ty Hafan lottery draw number 588.

● £2000: 361853. ● £500: 876324 ● £100: 731067. ● £50: 789129.

● £10: 840568, 591666, 480832, 565138, 145234, 140250, 287812, 682454, 793835, 391417, 407053, 338724, 385125, 862035, 502216, 782565, 537230, 338516, 434749, 814252.

● £5: 744047, 734141,

824817, 269506, 300169, 765220, 508143, 237472, 593596, 587629, 650480, 144745, 820980, 252153, 777038, 228651, 495744, 204050, 339424, 438218, 609216, 298876, 164562, 216239, 599540, 558060, 632908, 861594, 745365, 899455.

The GEM cannot be held responsible for any errors or omissions contained in the above.

For lottery information please call telephone 02920 672062.

Vale's Charlie backs 'Energy Saving Week'

THE Vale of Glamorgan's 'climate change champion' is encouraging people across the region to go 'green' and help save the planet during Energy Saving Week.

Charlie Young, aged 17 and from the Vale, is supporting the event run

by the Energy Saving Trust, this week, in his role as one of the Welsh Assembly Government's six climate change champions.

The champions were appointed to their role to raise awareness about how people and businesses in Wales can reduce their carbon footprint.

Charlie and his fellow champions will be taking part in week-long tasks to encourage five families in their area to take simple steps to reduce their carbon footprints and save money on their fuel bills.

The Energy Saving Trust is asking people to consider how they can adopt 'green' alternatives in three key areas: transport; water, and energy.

● People are being encouraged to leave the car behind and walk,



Vale climate change champion, Charlie Young, is urging people across the region to install energy-saving light bulbs in their homes to help the environment and save money during Energy Saving Week.

cycle or catch the bus or train to work.

● Families can reduce water usage by installing a hippo in their toilet. The hippo bag fits into the household toilet cistern and each time the toilet is flushed the Hippo saves approxi-

mately three litres.

Charlie has been persuading his neighbours to take-up the energy challenge. He said: "Energy Saving Week is a great opportunity for us all to think about how we can make small changes to reduce our carbon footprint."

Road works

Church Road, Bridge Street, Cowbridge Street, Barry – traffic barriers in place; carriageway width restrictions. Pontypridd Street, junction with Mount Pleasant – footway restriction in place. Weston Square tunnel, Cardiff Road, Barry – ongoing road closure.

VALE PACT MEETINGS

CORNERSWELL PACT, Cogan Leisure Centre, is today (October 22) at 7pm. RHOOSE PACT, Celtic Way Community Centre, October 27, 7pm. CADOC PACT, Palmerston Community Centre, October 28, 7pm. ST BRIDES PACT, St Brides Major Church Hall, November 4, 6pm. GRAIG PENLLYN coffee and chat meeting, Barley Mow, November 4, 11am.

If you have any issues that are affecting your quality of life, but are unable to attend a meeting, contact your local Neighbourhood Policing or log onto www.ourbobby.co.uk

WHAT'S ON - in brief

AM's surgery DAVID MELDING, Conservative Assembly Member for the South Wales Central region, will be holding an advice surgery on October 23, at 29 High Street, Barry, between 10am-11.30am.

No appointments are necessary and all are welcome to attend.

Rhoseo bingo

RHOOSE and District Community Association is holding bingo at the community hall, Stewart Road, Rhoseo, on Saturday, October 24, from 2pm-4pm.

Entrance fee is 60p. Refreshments provided.

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Memorial concert for 'much-loved' Fflur Pupils say farewell to favourite teacher

IT was a poignant evening earlier this month when a Vale school held a memorial concert for a much-loved teacher.

Pupils and staff at Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg packed Barry Memorial Hall in tribute to their teacher, Miss Fflur Bedwy, who tragically died in August.

Students and teachers from both Bro Morgannwg and Glantaf, Fflur's previous school, performed on the stage to an audience of more than 700 people in her memory.

However, rather than being a memorial, the evening was staged as a celebration of Fflur's life, her interests and her passions.

Her love of the Eisteddfod was commemorated by the junior choir, the year-13 recitation group and by a cerdd dant solo by Lisa Williams, all of whom competed in the Urdd Eisteddfod over the summer.

The staff paid tribute to their colleague by forming a choir, singing 'Pam Fod Eira'n Wyn?', originally by Dafydd Iwan, in homage to

Fflur's adoration of the Welsh language, and the year-8 drama group performed a sketch of two cultures, Wales and India, in memory of her position as RE teacher at the school, and of her love of diversity.

Eleri Owen and Ruth Pilcher performed their rendition of 'Adre' by Gwyneth Glyn, Will Havard performed a guitar solo, the year-12 BTEC group performed 'Slow Dance' and the girls' quartet from Glantaf sang 'Haleliwia!'

Fflur was a great advocate of the young talent in both schools, and believed strongly in encouraging the students in her care to reach their potential. One of the highlights of the evening was the debut performance of a composition by Jacob Ellis about the loss the school felt for their teacher.

The mood lightened with a musical item from the show *High School Musical*, and Glantaf boys choir's performance of a translation of 'You Raise Me Up' (Dyrcheffir fi).

To highlight Fflur's love of Welsh culture, there were two performances on the harp, the first a recital by Mrs Margaret Harris of an



ABOVE:
Fflur Bedwy.

extremely tender cainc, or song, especially written for Fflur by Owain Siôn, and the second, a more celebratory harp duet, by Martha Holeyman and Megan Morris of the sixth form.

Throughout the evening, there were several recitations of poetry, the first by Sara Meredith of 'So Many Different Lengths of Time' to help us come to terms with the loss of Fflur, the second by Ruth Pilcher of 'Etifeddiaeth', as a reminder of the Welsh

values Fflur held, the third by Mrs Ffion Harris of 'Mesur Dyn' to remind us not to forget her, the fourth by Miss Anne Tilley of an anonymous poem explaining how we should remember Fflur, and the final recitation, read by Mollie Arbuthnot, was memories, written by the German teachers in Bro Morgannwg's partner school in Germany, of their time spent with Fflur.

The evening's performances closed with a performance by Caryl Parry Jones of two of her famous songs, 'Yr Ail Ffiliol' and 'Adre'.

Later, the audience, all family members, students, friends, colleagues and former colleagues of Fflur, were invited to stay and share memories of a woman so very well-loved, and whose loss will be felt for years to come by the people she left behind.

Ruth Pilcher

WHAT'S ON - in brief

Horticultural society's AGM

THE AGM of the Llantwit Major Horticultural Society will be held on Wednesday, October 28, at 7.30pm, in the Llantwit Major.

Doors open at 7pm and refreshments will follow the meeting.

The society is organising a trip to Hestercombe Gardens and Christmas Market, near Taunton, Somerset, on Sunday, November 22, leaving the rugby club car park at 8.30am.

Bookings may be made at the above meeting or by telephone to the trips secretary, Elizabeth Rees on 01446 750387.

Legion's AGM

THE Barry branch of the Royal British Legion will hold their next meeting and AGM on Monday, November 2, at the Mayor's Parlour, Barry Memorial Hall, at 2.30pm.

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Thanks go to Barry choir

I WOULD be grateful if, through your newspaper, I could thank the members and organisers of the Barry Male Voice Choir annual concert.

The concert took place last Saturday, October 17, in the impressive setting of All Saints Church, Barry, and was a treat for all who attended.

The programme was

lively and varied, with a wonderful mix of modern and traditional songs, and was enhanced by the performance of the guest artists – the Orwell Ladies' Choir from Ipswich.

I would like to thank the choir and the audience for their warm welcome, which added to my enjoyment of the evening.

Alana Davies,
Labour Parliamentary
Candidate
Vale of Glamorgan

Barry eyesore

AS visitors to Barry step out of the railway station they are faced with the uninviting sight of Bird Cage Walk on the opposite side of the road.

It has been fenced off for some time and has now become terribly overgrown! It is a disgrace!

Can something be done please?

Mrs DE Coombes Herridge

Labour's Vale candidate showed 'poor judgement'

I CONSIDER that the letter penned by M Lobb of Llantwit Major and printed on page 6 of The GEM (October 15) to be one of the more excellent ones I have read.

His first class argument that Mrs Alana Davies showed poor judgement when she quoted the percentage figures published in the

recent GEM poll about the DTC was nothing other than superb.

His case was then strengthened by the 'footnote' added to his letter indicating that the poll was not an in-depth study.

Any potential Member of Parliament who makes poor judgements to further their political views, cannot really be considered seriously for such an office.

FMD Knill, Pendoylan

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'GIVE US SERVICES THAT WE DESERVE'

I READ The GEM letter last week headed 'Airport Chief – Let's all pull together' from Mr Hodgetts with interest and dismay.

I don't know whether he is kidding himself, or trying to kid us about the availability of flights from Cardiff Airport.

We live 10 minutes from the airport and go on holidays/trips at least twice a year. Every time we travel, we try to find a flight from our local airport, but to no avail. We always end up at Bristol or London (we can't even get a flight to London!).

Even if there is a comparable holiday from

Cardiff, due to the very high charges they levy to the airlines, the surcharge can be £50+ per person for a holiday – compared to Gatwick.

Even when we finally did find and book a holiday from Cardiff (Airtours to Tunisia in February 2010), we received a letter last month telling us our holiday will not depart from Cardiff any more, but Bristol at 5am!

So, come on Mr Hodgetts, you said we should "all pull together", we're doing our share.

How about our local airport giving us the services we deserve, instead of being the laughing stock of the UK?

Martin Chatham, Llantwit Major

It is time for compromise on the Winchfield project

REGARDING the Winchfield Project, Graig Penllyn, there have been various letters to the GEM and I feel that it is now time that a little common sense and compromise came into play to reunite the village on what has proved to be an extremely contentious issue.

No-one can challenge the idyllic view of youngsters learning to ride their pedal bikes in a safe environment, but as we all know, there is another side to the story.

For those residents, like me, living near the tennis court car park (which is surrounded by the current proposal), we are already experiencing unwelcome night time activities as can be witnessed by discarded cigarette packets, alcohol cans and used condoms.

Now, do we really need a six feet wide track circling what is currently an unspoilt green field? I have not found one athlete to date who would use it on a regular basis as they have told me that they prefer running the lovely lanes around the villages.

What does concern me is how can we stop youngsters learning to drive cars or racing motorbikes on this surface as I believe that the police cannot intervene as the land is private community owned. I have witnessed this happening in Penarth parks before moving to the village.

A possible way forward, and one which could achieve a suitable compromise for all villagers, would be to sur-

face a track about three feet wide (not the six feet as planned) running one length of the field only together with a resurfaced 'cinder path'.

A similar track could be laid around the children's play area which would prove a very safe area for them to learn to ride their bikes.

There is a need for further consultation on this issue with all village residents and the motion that I would like to see on an agenda at such a meeting is the above rather than one calling for votes of no confidence in the current residents' committee.

Final word on this matter? Simple!
AH Chadwick, Graig Penllyn

Candidate not local enough?

I WAS amused to see how desperate Plaid Cymru have become in the Vale of Glamorgan since losing two council seats to Labour in the last local elections.

This time they have attacked Alana Davies, Labour's parliamentary candidate in the Vale, not because of what she has said or what she stands for, but instead because she's not from Barry.

I wonder, is this just nasty nationalism or yet another example of Plaid's mentality? It's true Alana isn't from Barry, she's from Porthcawl.

Robert Morgan, Barry Island

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Waiting for a response

CASCADING through my letterbox recently came a two-sided A4 leaflet from Alana Davies, Labour candidate for the Vale of Glamorgan.

It contains no less than seven photographs spread over the two sides, in case I should forget what she looks like. Surely one would suffice?

The leaflet states she will "listen to the people" and "never take you or the constituency for granted". Excellent – except that several weeks ago I sent her an enquiry on her views; I then needed to send her a reminder to which she responded only to say that life was hectic and she would reply "as soon as I can".

Christopher Short, Barry

Communities First scheme

THE Communities First Good Neighbour Scheme is now being launched by the co-ordinator and staff, together with a committee of volunteers.

This will eventually be a resident-led initiative, and we hope that any resident in the area who would like to be involved either in helping or being helped, will telephone Michelle on 01446 732406, or call at the Communities First Office at Aberaeron Close, Gibbonsdown.

Val Higgins and Eileen Edwards, Barry volunteers.

HANDS OFF CAVALIERS

I REFER to Derek Willetts' letter in last week's GEM with the title 'Cavalier drivers are the problem'. I think this is grossly unfair. It is not just drivers of Cavaliers that contravene traffic signals. Just yesterday I saw a Golf drive through a red light.

Andrew Campbell, Llantwit Major

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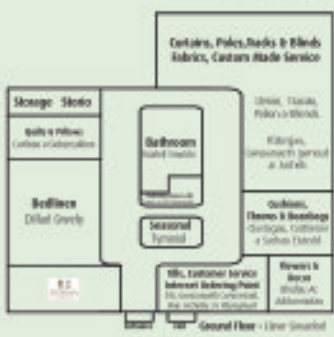
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Cowbridge Town fall just short in very tightly fought game

COWBRIDGE TOWN FC left the field on Saturday thinking what could, and perhaps should, have been after a less than inspired performance in a 2-1 defeat against Waterfront Wanderers at the Bear Field.

Recent performances had left the red and blacks feeling optimistic about challenges to come, and they will be hoping that this result galvanizes them.

In a tight opening, Cowbridge were looking

to play more of the football, as their visitors used their physical ability well to employ a more direct game.

A good front post header left the Town 'keeper with little chance to send Wanderers into the lead.

Cowbridge sensed the game was there for the taking, but continued to struggle to assert their quality on the match.

It wasn't until a superb Jack Gavin corner put pressure on the opposition 'keeper that a chance was converted - Lloyd Lewis turning the ball home at the back post.

Failing to build on

their goal however, Town fell back behind from a fine half volley - a blow from which Cowbridge failed to recover.

Although they will be disappointed in the 2-1 scoreline, Cowbridge must take heart from another afternoon which suggested they could make a big impact on the league.

Cowbridge Town FC are at home this Saturday at the Bear Field, Cowbridge Leisure Centre. Why not combine your food and drink festivities with a trip to support the boys? Kick-off is at 2.15pm.

MR

Footballing under-12s draw in a thriller

COWBRIDGE Treherne sprinting through to score a cracking goal. With their supporters willing them on, Cowbridge hunted for the winner but the final whistle left the two teams with a goal apiece and applause ringing in their ears.

A stunning first half save from goalkeeper Jac Davies will be talked about until we are all old and grey, and with Amos Booth and Owain Llioni back next week, the team will be gunning for a cup semi-final place.

Patient midfield play from Leon, Cai Owen and Ben Jones sent Joe

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Rotary supports Malawi children's medical care

A LOCAL final-year medical student, Ian Lane, chose Malawi for an eight-week experience placement in the Paediatrics unit at Zomba Hospital.

Hospitals in Malawi are very poor and overloaded. They rely heavily on doctors loaned from overseas.

Ian wished to donate some equipment as thanks for his stay.



The Cowbridge Rotary Club added £250, matched by a district grant, to make £671, allowing Ian to donate more items. The items were two otoscopes (for looking inside ears), two sphygmomanometers (child) for taking blood pressure, together with a nebuliser, and the picture above shows an example of the items being used.

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STRICTLY'S 'MR NASTY' SHOWS HIS NICE SIDE TO LLANFAIR PUPILS

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PUPILS from Llanfair Primary School in the Vale had a celebrity visitor last week – and it was because the school had won a national dance competition.

As a result, BBC TV's ultra-critical judge, Craig Revel Horwood, came to see the pupils in action – and he had nothing but praise for their dance routine!

Llanfair was one of six primary schools to win a place on the 'Bone Factor' tour, which aims to highlight the medical condition osteoporosis.

Hundreds of schools from across the UK entered the competition which was organised by the National Osteoporosis Society.

The Llanfair pupils were selected for their 'unique and creative dance' as well as for showing their understanding of the importance of weight-bearing exercise and a healthy diet to increase bone health.

Craig is due to visit all six winning

schools on the tour, and he was impressed by the pupils' routine and by their costumes – designed to make them look like dancing skeletons.

The routine had been choreographed by Emma Goodfield, who teaches the year-5 and year-6 age groups at the school.

The school's headteacher, Mrs Dianne Normansell, told The GEM: "It was a fantastic day, and the children were really excited about Craig coming to the school."

"They were delighted to have the chance to perform for him."

Mrs Normansell explained that, as the dance was created last term, about half of the pupils had moved on to the local comprehensive schools, but they were given permission to return for the day.

Craig spent some time giving the pupils some tips, and even had time to sweep Pat Curnow, a learning support assistant at the school, right off her feet in a waltz!



ABOVE: Brendan Cole wasn't quite so confrontational when challenged by Craig's new friends!



ABOVE: Learning support assistant Pat Curnow is swept off her feet by Craig.



Choreographer and teacher Emma Goodfield



ABOVE: Craig charms the headteacher, Mrs Dianne Normansell.



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Pink Power at Talbot Green

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There will be street entertainers and 'pink events' at the shopping centre and a fundraising fayre – with dance lessons, hair braiding, cake stall, tarot readings, face painting and much more taking place at the hotel.

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ANNIVERSARY BALL MARKS 150th BIRTHDAY OF 'MOUNTAIN SCHOOL'

A 150th anniversary celebration ball to mark the birthday of Llansannor and Llanharry Church in Wales School was held at Llansannor Court on October 17, hosted by Mr and Mrs Michael Eddershaw.

Mrs Eleanor Eddershaw serves at a governor at the school and two of her grandchildren attend it.

As you can see from the brief history of the school below, Llansannor Court was an apt venue for the celebration. The school's story began on November 5, 1859, when deeds were passed from Alexander Young Spearman of Llansannor Court to the Archdeacon of Llandaff enabling the school to be built.

PHOTOGRAPHS by IAN DIXON



Michael and Eleanor Eddershaw.



JPR and Dr Scilla Williams



Coun Val Ellis and Mr Dixon Dagg.

NEXT month, on November 5, Llansannor and Llanharry Church in Wales School officially celebrates its 150th anniversary!

The school's story started on November 5, 1859, when deeds were passed from Alexander Young Spearman of Llansannor Court to the Archdeacon of Llandaff allowing for a school to be built.

The stated aim at the time was "for the education of the labouring, manufacturing and other poor classes of Llansannor, Llanharry and Ystradowen in accordance with the principles of the established church."

It was an example of Wales leaping ahead of many other countries across the globe and into the modern age – recognising that to get ahead in the world, a well-educated population was vital.

In Victorian days the parents of the children from Llansannor would have been agricultural workers, and those from Llanharry would have been colliery or iron ore workers.

The children of wealthier families are likely to have been educated at home or to have gone to private school in Cowbridge.

In those days, the age range catered for was from six years old to 14.

It would be another 100 years before the first known student would pass the entrance exam to Cowbridge School and subsequently achieve a university degree.

Mr David Francis, a local historian who lives in Llanharry, told The GEM: "In 1959 when the school celebrated its 100th anniversary, I was told by the rector at the time that I was the first known graduate of the school, and I got my degree at Aberystwyth University College in the 100th year itself!"

"I was very pleased to read the lesson at the service celebrating the 100th anniversary."

In the early years, children would walk to school in hobnail boots come rain or shine, and go home for lunch before returning for afternoon lessons.



ABOVE: This is a picture taken at the school in the 1950s. Do you recognise anybody, if so, please contact The GEM and let us know!

The attendance varied from between 30 and 80 pupils and everyone was housed in one main room, which now remains as the school hall.

The first teacher, Mr Batchelor, taught in that single classroom and had to combat the early problem of young truants.

In an early log book entry he wrote: "John Ede, on May 22, 1874 left school aged 10 to work in Llanharry Meadow Colliery, but finding it unpalatable, soon returned to school in June."

In 1881, a second classroom was built, and by 1910 the number of children attending the school was more than 100.

The first school trip was to Penarth in 1903, and the headmaster, Mr DRC Davies noted that for many children it was the first time they had seen the sea!

The school was first known as The Mountain School, but on November 4, 1912 it reopened as Llansannor and Llanharry Non Provided School.

In the past few months, there have been concerns about the spread of swine flu. The history of the Mountain School illustrates the perils our ancestors had to contend with.

In 1899, the school was ordered to shut because of a measles outbreak. Nineteen years later, the flu pandemic hit the area and a school record says: "The attendance fell away...owing to illness. Three children had influenza." Worldwide, more than 50 million people died as a consequence of the pandemic.

Scarlet fever was much feared in the early part of the last century too, because there was no penicillin until the 1950s; whole households were kept in isolation for weeks.

These medical crises show how lucky we are in the relatively safe 21st century in which most people can look forward to old age.

In 1940, Mrs SJ Saunders (nee Tudor) was the headmistress and brought a long period of stability to

the school, serving until 1970.

In the late 1990s applications were made to the Welsh Office to increase the size of the school, and a new administration block and six new classrooms were constructed alongside the original school building.

The new block was opened in 2000 by the now Archbishop of Wales, Dr Barry Morgan. In 2004, an 'early years' nursery block was opened by Mr Anthony Powell, who served the school as a governor.

Dr Morgan is returning to the school on November 5 to celebrate the 150th school anniversary with headmaster Mr Paul Fisher, staff and pupils.

● The GEM would like to thank Dr Scilla Williams and Mr David Francis for their help in producing this article on the history of the school.

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Local writer's second book shows he is one to watch

Review by PHILIP IRWIN

VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)

NOTICE OF DESIGNATION AND VARIATION OF CONSERVATION AREAS

Notice is hereby given, under section 70(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 that The Vale of Glamorgan Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Local Planning Authority") has by a resolution passed on 25th March 2009, made variations to the areas designated as the Aberthin, Boverton, Broughton, Colwinston, Dinas Powys, Drope, Llanccadle, Llandow, Llangan, Llantrithyd, Michaelston Le Pit, Monknash, Pendoylan, Penmark, Peterston Super Ely, Porthkerry, Rhose, St. Brides Major and St. Georges Conservation Areas as referred to in Schedule 1 to 19 hereto. These areas are considered by the Council to be of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve and enhance.

The effect of the variations are as follows:

1. Conservation area consent will now be required for the demolition of all unlisted buildings (other than excepted buildings) in the designated area;
2. Planning applications for development which would in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority affect the character or appearance of the designated area must be given publicity and representations received as a result of the publicity must be taken into account in determining the application;
3. It becomes an offence subject to certain exceptions to cut down, top, lop, uproot, willfully damage or willfully destroy any tree in the area except with the consent of the Local Planning Authority within the designated area;
4. The Local Planning Authority are now under a duty to formulate and publish proposals for the presentation and enhancement of the designated area.
5. The restrictions above (1 – 4) no longer apply to areas that no longer form part of the designated area.

Plans showing the revised boundaries of the Conservation Areas and copies of the Character Appraisals and Management Plans defining the special character of the areas are available for inspection during office hours at the office of the Director of Environmental and Economic Development, Planning and Transportation, Docks Office, Subway Road, Barry. Alternatively, they can be viewed and downloaded from the Vale of Glamorgan Council's website at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

Rob Thomas, Head of Planning and Transportation, Vale of Glamorgan Council

Schedule 1 – Aberthin Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 1 – 2 Brynawel
- 1 – 10 Chapel Close
- 1 – 10 The Orchard
- Awelfan
- Brooklands
- Church Cottage
- Fern Bank
- Orchard House

Schedule 2 – Boverton Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 9 – 15 Gaskell Close

In addition, the Conservation Area has been extended to include a parcel of land to the south of the rear boundaries of No's 2 – 40 Harding Close and north of the Boverton Brook.

Schedule 3 – Broughton Conservation Area

(Properties designated as additional parts to the existing Conservation Area)

- The Old Farmhouse
- Ty Capel
- Broughton Cottage
- Sunnybank
- Claremont
- Homeleigh
- Penydraith
- Flat 1 – 12 Malthouse Court

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Westville

In addition, the Conservation Area has been reduced to exclude parcels of land to the east of Rivendell and Avalon, and to the north of Westwood Cottage; and to the west of the Old Carpenters Arms, The Old Shop, Ivy Cottage, Ash Cottage and Oak Cottage.

Schedule 4 – Colwinston Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 1 – 5 Yew Tree Close
- 1 – 12 Twyn Yr Eglwys
- 1 – 10 The Vines
- 1 – 3 St Michael's Close
- Meadow View
- Orchard House
- Ty Collen
- Clevis Orchard
- Clevis Lodge
- Ashcroft

Schedule 5 – Dinas Powys Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 4 Britway Road
- 5 – 17 (Odds) Cardiff Road
- 1 – 8, & 10 Mill Close
- 1 – 4 Wesley Court
- 1 – 5 Old Malthouse, Station Road
- Old Malthouse, Station Road
- Youth House, Station Road
- Maes Glas, Pen-Y-Tumpike Road

Schedule 6 – Drope Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Downsend
- Greenmeadow
- Llys Y Celyn
- Sunnybank
- Woodhaze

In addition, the Conservation Area has been reduced to exclude parcels of land to the north and south west of the above properties, and extended to include parcels of land to the south of the Old Rectory and Rose Cottage; and north west of Drope Farm.

Schedule 7 – Llanccadle Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Andros
- Cuba Cottage
- Cwmeldeg
- Green Dragon Inn
- Meadow View
- Stoneleigh House
- The Coppice

The boundary has been further amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary.

Schedule 8 – Llandow Conservation Area

The field that lies between Ty Fry Farm and Grove Road has been removed from the Conservation Area. The boundary has been further amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary.

Schedule 9 – Llangan Conservation Area

The field between Preswylfa and Waunpentre has been removed from the Conservation Area.

Schedule 10 – Llantrithyd Conservation Area

Fields to the south-west of Llanmihangel Place and Church House, and to the north of Park Cottage have been removed from the Conservation Area.

Schedule 11 – Michaelston Le Pit Conservation Area

The field to the north of the Courtyard has been removed from the Conservation Area. The boundary has been further amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary.

Schedule 12 – Monknash Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Serenbrook
- Bay Cottage
- Holmea
- Stable Cottage
- Gosling Cottage
- Springfield

Schedule 13 – Pendoylan Conservation Area

The boundary has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the boundaries of:

- 50, 52, 54 Heol St Catwg;
- Pentwyn;
- Kingswood.

Schedule 14 – Penmark Conservation Area

The boundary has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the boundaries of:

- The Grange;
- The Granary;
- Kenson Bridge.

Schedule 15 – Peterston Super Ely Conservation Area

The field to the south of the Three Horseshoes has been removed from the Conservation Area.

Schedule 16 – Porthkerry Conservation Area

The field to the west of Elmleigh has been removed from the Conservation Area. In addition, the Conservation Area has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the curtilage of Glebe Farm.

Schedule 17 – Rhose Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- 1 – 17 (Odds), 2 – 18 (Evens) and 12a Lower Farm Court
- 1 – 29 (Odds) and 2 – 24 (Evens) Benecrofte
- 1 – 3 and 5 Readers Way
- 1 and 1a, St Arthurs, Rhose Road
- 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 Romilly Road
- 1 – 6 Deans Court
- 1 – 17 (Odds) and 2 – 10 (Evens) Fontygary Road
- 1 – 3 The Nurseries, Fontygary Road
- 1 – 7 Brendon View Close
- 2 – 5 Jackson Close

Schedule 18 – St. Brides Major Conservation Area

The boundary has been amended to take into account property boundaries in order to form a logical boundary, in particular to fully enclose the boundaries of Vicarage Lawns and to form a logical boundary at Pitcot Farm.

Schedule 19 – St. Georges Conservation Area

(Properties no longer forming part of the Conservation Area)

- Mornington Bungalow
- The Pippins
- Greenwood Inn

A YOUNG Porthcawl writer, Tom Anderson, has just published his second book, *Chasing Dean*, which follows his first effort, *Riding the Magic Carpet*.

In music, they talk about the 'difficult second album' syndrome, but in Tom's case, I think he has postponed that, and therefore we will be talking about the difficult third effort.

Why? Well, the first book was a mixture of two things – good travel writing and a successful attempt to explain the fascination surfing exerts on its disciples.

It was a quest, with Tom surfing around the world, with it all building up to tackling the ultra-difficult waves that batter Jeffreys Bay in South Africa each autumn.

Chasing Dean is the same mix of travel and surfing, but with a dash of social conscience thrown in. Dean, it turns out, is Hurricane Dean, which begins life off the west coast of Africa and travels across the Atlantic, before wreaking havoc on Caribbean islands and the Mexican shoreline.

The social conscience is there because what is a disaster for thousands of people, is a great day for the surfers. A hurricane such as Dean sends a massive swell across the Atlantic, resulting in fantastic waves that lash the eastern seaboard of the United States, from the Carolinas all the way up to New York and on up to Maine and even Nova Scotia.

There is a fair amount of guilt in saying:

"Great, a hurricane is coming" knowing you will be hundreds of miles away waxing your surfboard while other people are having their homes destroyed.

Still, if Tom had suc-

cumbed to that guilt, there would be no book – which incidentally this time is described as a novel. This is confusing, because it reads pretty much the same as his first.

The difference apparently, is that Tom's travelling companion chasing Dean, a Porthcawl schoolfriend of Tom's, Marc Rhys, is a "composite figure".

I was quite disappointed when Tom told me that, because Marc was a larger-than-life figure that I quite warmed to. Mind, I did think that a Porthcawl surfer who goes on to become a world-renowned computer genius sounded a bit far-fetched.

In *Chasing Dean*, Tom continues to write about the sensation of surfing without making it repetitive. He is fond of saying that no two waves are alike, and he keeps the pages that are set in the water fresh throughout the book – despite the fact that the jargon is as incomprehensible as ever.

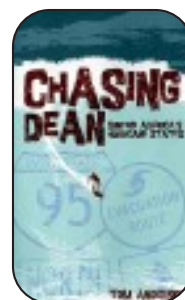
Interspersed with the surfing there are several vivid pieces of travel writing – more focused on the people they meet rather than places.

There is an excellent passage when Tom and Marc spend the evening in a bar with some young Marines who are about to leave on a tour of duty in Iraq.

They find their expectations about gung-ho redneck Americans founded in a piece of writing that is genuinely moving.

There is a running gag because Americans continually ask if Wales is in England and Marc, a Welshman with enough chips on his shoulders to supply Beales for a week, gets angrier and angrier.

At the UN in New York, he complains to a receptionist that Wales should be a member state – and is stunned



when she responds with a detailed explanation of why Wales does not qualify, whereas Western Sahara does!

The weakest bit in the book is in the jazz quarter of New Orleans, where Tom's editor should have sent him back to come with something better than "The music of New Orleans is truly its heart-beat".

The New Orleans passages looking at the ravages of Hurricane Katrina, in contrast, were much more personal and much stronger.

Chasing Dean is a hard book to place. It will, says Tom, be found in the travel section of bookshops, but the cover, which emphasises the surfing aspect, could put off some readers.

It would be a pity if some are, because there is a great deal that is fresh in this book, and you come away with a greater understanding of the US eastern seaboard.

It is also a book about growing up. As they head north looking for the best waves, Tom and Marc both know they are getting older. They know the 'real world' is looming and that decisions have to be made. Surfing might 'just' be a sport – but this is a grown-up book from a maturing author.

Chasing Dean is published by Summersdale Publishers Ltd, more information can be found on www.summersdale.com

Birthday

I WOULD like to say a big thank you to all who helped me celebrate my 'special' birthday on October 13, and for the gifts and cards and company throughout the day.

It was all greatly appreciated, making a lovely day to remember.

Simon John

IT is sad to report the death in hospital of Simon John, son of Maureen and the late Bob John of Poppit Hill, St Brides Major.

He suffered a long illness bravely borne. Our thoughts go out to the family.

Thursday club

AT the Ladies Thursday Club on October 15, members stood in respect for the passing of long time

COMMUNITY NEWS

ST BRIDES MAJOR

Your local correspondent is

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member 'Dot' (Mrs AA Evans) of Lony Eglwys, St Brides Major, who died peacefully in Maesgwyn Hospital.

She was always a happy soul and will be sadly missed.

Retired residents

OGMORE by Sea Retired Residents Association met at the

Watermill on October 15 to enjoy a talk given by Steven Jarvis, when he took members back to 'the Good Old Days' with memories of advertisements long forgotten.

Policing

FROM September 1, policing from Bridgend merged with the Vale of Glamorgan.

This is to help make savings in the force and police say that it will not affect neighbourhood policing in any way.

For any information, (NOT an emergency), ring 101.

PACT

THE next PACT meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4 at the church hall, St Brides Major, 6pm-7pm.

Please make an effort to attend.

NEWS FROM YSGOL GYFUN BRO MORGANNWG

Pupils welcome friends from Germany



EARLIER this month, students studying German in year-9 at Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg took part in an exchange programme with Leiniger-Gymnasium, a secondary school in Gründstadt, Germany.

Thankfully, the students from Germany brought the German sun with them, and the weather held out, and all in all, it looked to be a good week.

On the Monday, the German students left their partners at school and travelled to the Mumbles in Swansea, spending a tiring day shopping and eating ice cream in the sun.

Their second day was spent at Big Pit, and the third was spent touring Cardiff. The students especially enjoyed the visits to the Millennium Stadium and Cardiff Castle, but their meal at Pizza Hut and bowling in the evening stole the show.



In order to learn more about Welsh culture, they spent a day at St Fagans on their fourth day. Later, the school held a disco in their honour, and both sets of students enjoyed themselves as much as possible, the German students not entirely looking forward to their long drive home.

On their last day in Wales, the students joined their Welsh counterparts in school for the morning, and left in the afternoon.

During the course of their day in school, the German students played football against the Welsh and attended a few lessons, most of them



commenting on how orderly the Welsh students were – although the teachers would probably beg to differ!

When the time came for the German students to leave Wales, as one

student, Theresia Neumann said, "I think everyone wants to stay in Barry."

Many of the students have plans to visit each other again in the future. **RUTH PILCHER**

Industry day



YEAR-7 recently enjoyed an industry day when they had the opportunity to work in teams to create a prototype.

The school is indebted to Mr Martin Blamey from EDP for his continued support

Wanderers deliver spirited performance at St Albans

THE newly formed Vale Wanderers under-13s travelled to St Albans to play a team they had narrowly lost to at the district tournament the week before.

The Wanderers coaches were keen to try out some new combinations, particularly in the centres, which saw back row forwards Callum Howells and Rhys Forse form a new partnership with the aim of stopping the talented Buns backline moving the ball wide.

The match started with the Wanderers taking the attack to the home side, before the first of many handling errors saw the Buns pick up loose ball and out-flank the defence to score the opening try, which was converted.

From a quick tap penalty, Hugo Billington used all of his height and power to drive over in the corner to cut the home side's lead to 7-5.

A bouncing ball from the re-start wasn't dealt with by the Wanderers and the Buns scored out wide.

St Albans added another converted try from a tap penalty to give them a 17-5 lead. As the half neared its end, the Wanderers saved the best till last when inside centre Rhys Forse picked up a loose ball just outside his own 22 and sprinted to score under the posts, leaving the defenders sprawled all across the park in his wake.

The try was converted by Lewys Morgan.

The half time score saw The Wanderers still in the game, but trailing 24-12.

The half-time team talk from the coaching team focused on cutting out basic errors and working on better communication and organisation.

The second half started brightly for the visitors and a driving maul resulted in an attacking scrum when Morgan Lloyd was unlucky to be adjudged to have being held up over the line.

From the resulting scrum, a strong surge saw a try awarded, as this time Lloyd had managed to place the ball at the foot of the post. The try was again converted.

This cut the lead for the Buns to 24-19 but the comeback stalled as the Buns scored two quick tries to put the game beyond the Wanderers.

As the game drew to a close, Rhys Forse scored another superb individual try and the Buns responded with the final try of the game to make the final score St Albans 48 Vale Wanderers 24.

While disappointed with the scoreline, once again, The Wanderers showed a massive improvement in their third game together.

Man of the match was Billie Jones, who playing at openside flanker tackled himself to a standstill. **TJ**

Young Vale golfers get TV sponsorship

A YOUNG Vale golfer, Rhys Pugh, the youngest-ever player to represent Wales in the Home Internationals, has been made the CCV 'Welsh Amateur of the Year'.

He has also received a scholarship from S4C, together with Gemma Bradbury of Cowbridge, which will help with equipment and travelling expenses for events.

Despite trying to balance golf with preparing for his GCSEs, Rhys showed his class this season by being tied first in the English Boys Open under-16s, tied fourth in the European Young Masters and was selected for the GB and Ireland boys team to play against Europe in the Jacques Leglise Trophy.

Rhys burst to the forefront by winning a Pinnacle Men's Order of Merit event, the Aberconwy Trophy, at the age of 13.

He said: "I set my own targets and forget everything else in terms of pressure. There are a lot of new challenges ahead. Also, I have got my GCSEs in the way and then I can concentrate on my golf."

"It is a very difficult balancing act. The S4C scholarship will help a lot with equipment and travelling expenses. Playing abroad and competing in new environments is becoming more and more important, and the long term ambition is to turn pro eventually."

Gemma Bradbury was the top-scoring Wales player in the Ladies Home Internationals victory, and is about to go to the home of golf and start a four-year course at St Andrews University.

Gemma, who is 19, said: "On paper, our Home Internationals team was not as strong as last year, but we had a really good spirit. Our coach Jeremy Bennett made us believe we could go out there and do it."

"That was probably the best five out of six points I will ever get, so it was really good, but everyone contributed to the team."

"I have had a couple of good finishes, 15th in the British and sixth in the Welsh. I have just enrolled at St Andrews for the next four years so hopefully I will get a few chances on the great courses up there – it is not a bad place to develop my golf."

"After being selected for GB and Ireland, my next thing is to go for the Curtis Cup and try to be one of the top amateur players."

"The S4C scholarship will help me enter events such as the Portuguese Open. I need some new equipment as well so that will really help. You have to start playing in big events like that to develop."

Vale farmers are defeated in entertaining golf competition

THE 19th annual inter-county golf competition between members of the Glamorgan Farmers' Golf Society and their counterparts from Monmouthshire took place recently at Pontypool Golf Club, with the Glamorgan team attempting to add to their 11 previous victories.

With a point at stake for both front nine, back nine and also the overall result of each match, Glamorgan suffered a major set back when the much-fancied pair of captain Ray Howell and Glyn Watts-Jones were comprehensively beaten in the opening game by Monmouthshire captain Reg Meyrick and Mike Williams.

Godfrey Lewis and Keith Walker temporarily improved the situation for Glamorgan following their whitewash of Ken Davies and Martin Ley, before Bryan Owen and Keith Davies returned with just a half-point against the home pairing of Mike Daniel and Martin Richardson.

Glamorgan's David Williams and Chris Rooney comprehensively defeated Wyndham Tranter and Phil Preece by 3-0 but disappointingly for the travelling team, Julian Kelly and Lynn Thomas could only return with half a point in their match against Andy Hildith and Nick Hill.

Brian Jones and Clive Thomas fought valiantly for their two and a half points against John Duthie and Gwyn Jones to keep the result finely balanced before disaster struck for the travelling team.

The final three matches out on the course all resulted in 3-0 defeats for Glamorgan, with Trevor Wooding and Tony McCarthy losing to Graham James and Peter Harris, Aubrey Bowen and Aubrey Thomas losing to John Anstey and Steve Waters and, finally, Keith James and Clive Edwards losing to Richard Frew and Gwyn Thomas.

The final result was a resounding win for the Monmouthshire farmers' by 18 points to Glamorgan's 12. **TMcC**

Achievements of young people around the Vale are celebrated



LEFT: The Vale of Glamorgan Mayor, Coun Emlyn Williams, Mayoress Joan and the Vale Youth Forum chair Tracey Downes (front) with representatives from local youth organisations.

YOUNG people from across the Vale celebrated a year of achievement at an event hosted by the area's mayor Coun Emlyn Williams.

The annual general meeting of the Vale Youth Forum was held at the Barry Town Hall, and representatives and officers from various youth groups and support organisations were delighted to hear that the organisation had received funding to employ its very own co-ordinator.

Vale AM Jane Hutt, the Welsh Minister for children, education, lifelong learning and skills, a long time supporter and trustee of the forum, spoke on the Welsh Assembly Government ethos on participation for children and young people. This focuses on children and young people "Having a Voice - Having a Choice."

Vale council leader Coun Gordon Kemp, a fellow forum trustee, outlined the authority's participation strategy for children and young people and said the council was very much in favour of giving children and young people a say in matters that affect them.

Forum chair Tracey Downes said: "The evening's star attractions by far were the presentations by the youngsters on the work of the Gibbonsdown Youth Forum, Penarth Youth Action, Penarth Youth Project's Voice management group, the Children's Commissioner Advisory Group and Funky Dragon. It all added up to an evening of information and entertainment."

"With the funding secured to employ a forum co-ordinator, we are looking to the future with even more optimism and to strengthening youth participation in the Vale."

RHOOSE SURF LIFEGUARDS IS A 'SUPER' CLUB!

AT the annual Surf Life Saving Association Wales presentation evening, held in Porthcawl on October 10, Rhose Lifeguards were announced as the winners of the first-ever 'Welsh Superclub' Trophy.

Jake Bremner (club chairman) accepted the huge trophy from John Gwyn (chair of the SLSA Wales Sports Commission) on behalf of the club.

The award is based on combined points from nipper, junior, senior and master competitions in both Stillwater and Ocean events.

The club was also presented with the 2009 Masters Trophy, which was accepted by Simon Parker (club vice-captain) from Jon Gwyn and the club members who were selected for the Welsh team were pre-



Jake Bremner accepting the trophy from John Gwyn.

sented with their Welsh caps.

A club spokeswoman said: "Congratulations to all the competitors who took part in the various events throughout the year, and thanks to the parents, helpers, sponsors and particularly the coaches and officials, whose voluntary efforts in training and running the club, towing trailers, maintaining equipment and craft, and fundraising play a crucial part in the success of the club."



Simon Parker.

English-speaking union is definitely growing



Mike Evans, ESU director general; Enid Evans, Captain Sir Norman Lloyd-Edwards, south Wales branch president; Gerry Price-Stephens; Derek Morgan, branch chairman; Julia Elias.

AS a result of the rapid growth in membership of the south Wales branch of the English-Speaking Union, the Annual Branches' Conference came to Cardiff for the first time.

For the third year running, the branch won all three awards for the increase in membership and local members Enid Evans, June Elias and Gerry Price-Stephens each stepped forward to

accept an award.

Branch chairman, Derek Morgan, thanked the president, Captain Sir Norman Lloyd-Edwards and all members for their wholehearted support and was delighted to announce that 2010 would be another vintage year for speakers, with confirmation already received from Sir Christopher Meyer, former Ambassador to the USA, author Guy Walters and Lord Hunt, former Secretary of State for Wales.

The summer garden

party would be held at the home of Sir Geoffrey and Lady Inkin at Castle upon Alun. Members are now looking forward to returning for the third year to Howell's School, Llandaff on December 1, for the annual Christmas carols and supper with entertainment from the senior girls choir and branch vice chairman Roy Noble.

Information on membership can be obtained from Derek Morgan, 01656 669129; email: derekmorgan@admor-gan.fsnet.co.uk.

Crooks' cash will pay for Pencoed youth coffee bar

CASH 'recovered' from convicted criminals will be used to set up a coffee bar for young people in Pencoed.

The UK Government recently launched its 'Community Cashback' scheme, where community projects can apply for grants from a fund that has been created by seizing the assets of convicted criminals.

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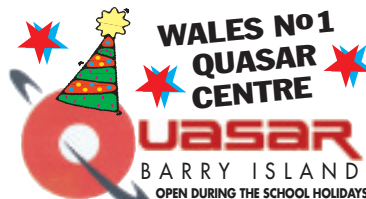
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Vaughn's couples comedy just manages to raise a few laughs

SINCE witnessing his career being reborn after his acceptance of membership into the Will Ferrell-led comedy 'Frat Pack', Vince Vaughn's recent career trajectory has been somewhat of a slow descent.

After the success of *Old School* and *Dodgeball*, and various cameo roles, the likes of *The Break-Up* (poor rom-com), *Fred Claus* (made you wish there was no such thing as Christmas) and *Four Christmases* (ditto) have all seen diminishing returns for the actor.

His latest film, however, sees him not only team up with comedy actors with whom he has previously excelled, but he has also co-written the film, which is entitled *Couples Retreat*.

Three couples (Vaughn and Malin Akerman, Jon Favreau and Kristin Davies, and

Faizon Love and Kali Hawk) are coerced into attending a couples retreat when their friends (played by Jason Bateman and Kristen Bell) announce they are contemplating a divorce.

However, their dreams of an idyll are shattered when all of the couples find their relationships are under the microscope, not just the one in trouble...

The premise for *Couples Retreat* is a sound one, with a bunch of skilled comedic performers who should be able to take the premise and run with it, creating a laugh-filled film. While the end product doesn't quite succeed, it is however easy, undemanding viewing that will raise the odd laugh, but without lasting overly long in the memory.

Given that Vaughn co-wrote the script with Jon Favreau (along with Dana Fox), you would be right in expecting something a little special; after all, the previous two occasions when the latter has sat down at

his typewriter with Vaughn in mind, the end products have been the excellent *Swingers* and the underrated *Made*.

However, *Couples Retreat* fails to come anywhere near those films, nor is it quite the bold treatise on relationships it aims for. Behind the laughter and jokes, the marital issues are predictable, the scenarios all too familiar and offer little in the way of freshness.

What they do achieve, however, is cultivating some amusing set-pieces and gags that work well, together with a sideline in creating characters that have only small parts but make for pleasing comedic roles (step forward Peter Serafinowicz's Sctanley (sic) and Carlos Ponce's Salvadore).

There are a few laugh-aloud moments in sequences involving a 'shark attack', a Guitar Hero-cum-cowboy battle and a yoga session that seems to be skewed far more towards the females in the party, but the general tone is faintly amusing rather than highly hilarious.

Maybe because of the familiar aspect to the film, the well-worn character paths and comedic beats, there is little unexpected comedy on show, with the majority of the laughs coming from one-liners being spouted by the cast.

However, the performances don't quite manage to hit their

stride, Vaughn seemingly mining from the same character he plays in nearly all of his recent films, the party-happy, relaxed guy with a tendency to embark on rants when the going gets tough.

Favreau offers a decent turn but is hamstrung by a character lacking in any real depth, while Jason Bateman is saddled with an annoying character that, try as he may, he fails to turn into anything worthwhile.

The female cast similarly tread water, Akerman failing to show any real aptitude for either comedy or acting, Kristen Bell suffering from a similar problem to Bateman, while Kristin Davies seems to be having fun, but fails to transfer it to her character.

The only turns that really work are from Faizon Love and Kali Hawk as a new couple with a 20-year-age gap, their opposing views to what constitutes fun raising the biggest laughs, and the pair give game performances that stand out brightly.

Capping off the lacklustre feel of the film is director Peter Billingsley, who does an excellent job of making the Bora-Bora location look absolutely gorgeous (must have been a tough job).

He makes a decent fist of giving the film a good feel and pace; however, at just under two hours long, it cer-

SCREEN TALK



by GARETH JAMIESON

tainly outstays its welcome, feeling stretched beyond its natural length.

Given the talent behind *Couples Retreat*, you would expect far more than it delivers; despite raising a few laughs, the overall feeling is one of disappointment.

While Vince Vaughn can be thankful this isn't a disaster on the scale of *Fred Claus*, it'll take more than this run-of-the-mill comedy to get him back on track.

VERDICT - A lacklustre comedy with a few funny moments, *Couples Retreat* is disappointing given the talent involved.

While the performances of Faizon Love and Kali Hawk offer some life, the overall feel is of a film struggling to really get going - something a few laughs can't overcome. *Average.*

Win four tickets to an 'Evening with Nicholas Parsons'

THE GEM is running a competition giving you the chance to win four tickets to Just A Laugh A Minute, an evening with Nicholas Parsons at St Donats Arts Centre.

Nicholas is one of Britain's most-loved entertainers and Vale audiences will get an opportunity to spend an intimate evening with him when he performs at the historic St Donats Arts Centre on Saturday October 24, at 7.30pm.

After making his screen debut in 1947 he became one of Britain's most famous actors, straight men, cabaret artists, quiz-show hosts and West End stars.

Now, after an incredible 42 years (during which he has never missed a show) he is most well known as the chairman of BBC Radio 4's *Just A Minute* - despite this he still doesn't seem to have a grasp of the rules!

In his show, Nicholas takes people on a humorous journey through the often hysterically funny memorabilia of his eventful life, which began as the son of a GP whose patients included Margaret Thatcher's parents.

As a fabulous mimic and impres-

sionist, he recalls many of the people he has known in showbiz, such as Benny Hill, Arthur Haynes, Ed Sullivan, Rik Mayall and Adrian Edmondson.

Here's a tale he recalls from the 70s as host of ITV's *Sale of the Century* - remembered by the public with tremendous affection, not least for the magnificently dodgy prizes - the Goblin Teasmade, the rubber dinghy, the twin-tub washing-machine and the star prize of an Eastern European car. "There were strict limits on the value of prizes. British cars were too expensive. Once, the doors fell off the star prize (a Lada) when I went to open them...Certainly, telly is not what it used to be."

His show will take place in the 14th century Tythe Barn Theatre at St Donats Arts Centre. Tickets are available from 01446 799095 or online at www.stdonats.com.

Competition question: How many years has Nicholas Parsons been the host of Radio Four's *Just A Minute*?

The first person to contact St Donats Arts Centre on 01446 799100 with the correct answer will receive four free tickets for his show on Saturday October 24, at 7.30pm.

St Tathan service

THE congregation at St Tathan Church will be celebrating the Harvest with a family service on Sunday, October 25, at 10.30am and Harvest praise at 6.30pm, with the Barry Male Voice Choir.

Dinas scouts jumble sale

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Music for food festival Sunday

MUSICIANS from around the Vale are planning a marathon music session in aid of Oxfam on the Sunday of the Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival.

The event, entitled 'Oxjam', will be staged in the Living Cafe, starting at 12 noon on Sunday, October 25, and is being co-ordinated by Cowbridge-born singer-songwriter Lianne Morgan Davies.

A spokesman for the event said: "A number of local acts are already lined up, but if any talented musicians would like to come along and support the event, then they should e-mail Lianne - there is still time."

Lianne can be contacted on contact@liannemorgan.co.uk

Cowbridge Choral Society Concert

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What a great idea the half page coverage for Barry West End Traders has been over the past year. Well done to all the businesses that participated!

High Street, Broad Street, Island Road and Market Street will be the place to shop this Autumn and Winter.

Halloween is just around the corner and Christmas not far behind.

Look out for the street's festive promotions with prettily decorated shops and plenty going on.

The High Street monthly raffle for a chance to win £100 of High Street shopping vouchers has proved a great success. Buy your tickets from one of the many High Street shops.

The Glamorgan GEM will be doing their Christmas feature to promote the area, so make sure you promote your business to attract shoppers not just from Barry but from the surrounding areas.

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Anthony Hopkins

Out and About with The GEM

ThunderCats offer Porthcawl thrills!



ABOVE: Thundercat racing is heading to Porthcawl

AN EXCITING form of powerboat racing will be wowing the crowds at Porthcawl this weekend (October 24/25).

ThunderCat Racing is bringing its high-adrenaline powerboat spectacle to the seas at Coney Beach, where the

high-speed catamarans should really show their paces in the Porthcawl surf.

The race is part of the RYA National Championship series, with points gained this weekend counting towards the final reckoning.

Porthcawl's Coun David Newton

Williams told The GEM: "It is hoped that Porthcawl could be hosting these races on a regular basis in future years."

"This is a chance to see if the town would like to attract such a spectacular sport on a regular basis."

Llantwit voucher winners

THE four lucky winners of £25 vouchers to spend in Llantwit Major were:

Mr D Wilson, Llantwit Major (who chose to spend his voucher at The Flower Shop); Nancy Jenkins, Craig Penlyn, P Barrett, Bridgend and Miss D Jacqueline Wynde, Llandaff (who all chose to spend their vouchers at Filco).

Congratulations to you all!

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Loch Fyne competition winner

THE winner of our competition to win a meal for four at Loch Fyne restaurant is Judi Mendelsohn of Cowbridge. Congratulations, and keep reading for more great GEM competitions.

Cowbridge voucher winner

THE winner of our recent '£100 shopping voucher in Cowbridge' competition was Jayne Leonard of Bridgend, who chose to spend the voucher at High Street Jewellers.

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GEM columnist's book signing

GEM columnist Brian Lee will be signing copies of his new book *Cardiff Remember When* (published by Breedon Books at £17.99) at Borders bookshop on The Hayes, Cardiff, on October 31, between 12.30pm-1.30pm.

Cardiff Remember When is Brian's 20th book and his 16th about his beloved Cardiff.

He has also published four sports titles and is well known to GEM readers for his point-to-point and horse racing articles and has been contributing to the GEM for more than 20 years.

Brian, 73, is now

working on a series of books about Welsh horse racing which will include point-to-point and flapping (unlicensed) meetings and would be interested to hear from anyone with stories, photographs, press cuttings and so forth.

Brian's last horse racing book *The Welsh Grand National* (pub-

lished by Tempus at £12.99) earned the praise of the legendary National Hunt champion jockey Peter Scudamore who said that it was "an engrossing study that not only documents the history of the race, but also charts the development of National Hunt racing."



WHAT'S ON - in brief

Spiritualist Church's 'divine service'

BARRY Spiritualist Church and Centre at Buttrills Road, Barry, is holding a divine service at 6pm, on Sunday, October 25, with Andrej Djordovitch.

A demonstration of mediumship on Monday, October 26, will be held at 7pm with Marlene Abercrombie.

Cefn Cribwr WI's fashion invite

THE Friends of Cefn Cribwr WI are holding a coffee evening and Bon Marche Fashion Show on Tuesday, October 27, at 7pm, in the Cefn Cribwr Community Centre.

Entry is £1.50 to be paid at the door. The proceeds are for Ty Hafan. Please come and join us

to make this event a success and raise much-needed money for an excellent cause.

Gardening club

THE next meeting of the Cowbridge Gardening Club will be held on Thursday, October 29, at 7.30pm in the Lesser Hall when Rosamund Davies will be speaking on 'The

National Gardens Scheme'. New members are welcome.

Halloween bands

THERE is a Halloween fancy dress party with eight bands playing in Porthcawl Rugby Club on Friday, October 30, in aid of the Velindre appeal. Tickets are £5 each.

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COWBRIDGE MINI AND JUNIOR RUGBY

RUMNEY PROVE TO BE A REAL TEST FOR UNDER-7s

THE under-7s played Rumney away and this second game showed they had learned greatly from their previous match.

The home team scored first, but Cowbridge responded immediately to keep the scores level. In an even contest, this pattern was repeated to end the half 2-2.

In the second, the teams continued to exchange tries to reach 4-4. Then some excellent teamwork took Cowbridge to Rumney's try-line twice, only to be stopped after the six tags.

However, Rumney finished with a flourish, scoring three tries to end 7-4.

The result did not reflect the game, the score being level for most of the match and Cowbridge demonstrated determination, team spirit and a growing ability in both attack and defence.

Full squad: Sam Coates, Ioan Davies, Ben Farrell, Owen Godsall, David Harris, Robbie Hawkins, Harri Hawkins, Aled Leitch, Dewi Williams.

Under-9s
THIS week saw the under-9s face a strong challenge at Rumney, who are traditionally a very strong outfit.

From the outset, it was clear that the Cowbridge boys were on top of their game and they produced the performance of the season, to gain victory in both games by scores of 6-0 and 2-1. This was a superb effort from all the boys, and the coaches were ecstatic with the boys continued improvement.

Full squad: Iestyn Fenn, Ioan Williams, Bart Norton, Ben Jones, Ben Batten, Luke Martyn, Will Tuckwell, Evan Thomas, Lewis Hawke, Harry Edwards, Barney, Gabriel, Joseph, Will Jones, Jack Dixon.

Under-10s
THE under-10s were also away at Rumney – the first game got under way, with Cowbridge kicking deep into the opposition territory.

From a well-constructed back line move, Rumney took the lead, but a missed conversion for a 5-0 scoreline.

Cowbridge responded superbly and were pressing their opposition back, with and without the ball. Rumney attempted to move the ball wide and Elliot Bancroft read the play well and raced home

from 40 yards to even the scores. Rhys Bradshaw then added the conversion for a 7-5 lead to Cowbridge.

Once again, from the kick-off, Rumney were securing better quality ball but the Cowbridge defence was magnificent. In a carbon copy of the first score, Elliot Bancroft latched on to a loose pass to score his second try of the game. Luc Beattie added the conversion for a 14-5 lead.

As half-time approached, Rumney gained a penalty on the five-metre line and drove over. With a successful conversion, the half-time score read **Rumney 12 Cowbridge 14.**

The second half continued in the same vein, with both teams matched all over the park. With the clock ticking down, the Rumney boys won a turnover close to the Cowbridge line and raced over in the corner for the winning score. The conversion was added successfully for a final score of **Rumney 19 Cowbridge 14.**

The second game began with Cowbridge dominating and Jake Griffiths opened the scoring with a superb burst to the line, which Ioan Lewis converted for a 7-0 lead. The Cowbridge boys were a little sharper at the break down and from a good forward drive, Max Cunningham raced in for the second with Jake Griffiths converting.

Then came the try of the match as Cowbridge defended the ball on their own five-metre line. Dan Marshall turned over possession with some superb counter rucking, the ball was moved quickly through the backs and Max Cunningham finished things off for his second of the match.

The second half saw a closer affair and the Rumney boys, to their credit, were tackling everything and held the score for the majority of the half. Eventually the pressure told, and Rhys Davies sprinted over in the corner. Liam Murphy added the two for a lead of 26-0.

Rumney refused to let their heads drop and from a five-metre penalty, drove over for the last try of the match and a final score of **Rumney 5 Cowbridge 26.**

Full squad: Cameron Roy, Dan Marshall, Elliot Bancroft, Ellis Bird, Evan Williams, Ioan Lewis, Jac Roberts, Jake Griffiths, James Morris, Luc Beattie, Liam Murphy, Max Cunningham, Max Lucas,

Oliver Reynolds, Rhys Bradshaw, Rhys Davies, Sam Corkill.

Under-11s
COWBRIDGE lost a close encounter at Rumney by 17-5.

Tries in the first half by Tom Rogers and Ryan Thomas saw the home side take a 12-point lead before Dan Bunney completed a fine solo run to score near the corner.

The second half was a closely-fought encounter with both packs producing powerful performances with no quarter given. In the last 10 minutes, Rumney exerted tremendous pressure and despite try-saving tackles from Cai Evans and Dan Bunney, the Cowbridge defence finally cracked when Morgan Williams scored under the posts.

In the pack, Duncan Ace and Charlie Martin were tenacious in rucks and mauls, while Rhys Barnard and Osian John were the pick of the backs.

In the second match of the morning, Cowbridge defeated Rumney by 28-14.

Tries were scored by Mikey Thomas, Charlie Pegrum (2) and Seán Davies, all converted by Charlie Pegrum.

Under-12s
THE Cowbridge team overcame a determined and, on occasion, overly physical Rumney RFC.

Fraser McGann burst through the Rumney defence, sprinting 35 metres for Cowbridge's first try.

The half ended with Cowbridge in the lead 12-7 after a further try by Tom Trotman.

The Cowbridge players upped the pressure in the second half, both through a powerful forward effort and a speedy backs performance – another try was scored by Trotman and the front row union of Tom Evans and George Thomas ended with one apiece.

Final score: Cowbridge 27 Rumney 7.

Cowbridge team: Owain Thomas Jenkins, Cai Thomas Jenkins, Tom Evans, George Thomas, Jac Davies, Tom Whitehouse, Fraser McGann, Luke John, Richard Hughes, Dylan Morgan, Ben Jones, Rob David, Matt Harper, Hywel Williams, Harvey Stockwell, Ashford Thomas, Gabriel Newham, Liam Sloan and Tom Trotman.

ON AND OFF THE TURF with Brian Lee

Bridgend trainer nets his biggest success yet!

BRIDGEND'S John Flint had his biggest success to date when landing the £12,500 Showcase Handicap Hurdle at Cheltenham last Saturday with his versatile five-year-old Right Option.

An 11-1 chance, Right Option was ridden by John's son Rhys, who is no stranger to Cheltenham, having previously ridden winners over the famed racecourse.

In a handy position throughout the race, Right Option won by five lengths from Factotum, ridden by champion jockey A P McCoy.

Rhys' cousin Connor Flint had earlier in the day won the final of the Charles Owen 138m pony race on his prolific Stambrook Marquessa.

Twenty-four hours later at Fontwell, Rhys riding the top-weighted Calusa Caldera for Peter

Hobbs, landed the Crabbies Alcoholic Ginger Beer Novice Chase.

Later in the day, fellow Welshman John Mathias took the Help For Heroes Handicap hurdle on ex-point-to-pointer Kisha King who is trained by Dai Rees.

M e a n w h i l e, Llancafnant trainer Evan Williams' Barizan became the season's most prolific winner under National Hunt rules when winning for the fifth time in six starts at Cheltenham last Friday.

Ridden by champion jockey A P McCoy, the long odds-on favourite came home nine lengths ahead of Riptide in the Lemington Novices' Hurdle.

Williams said: "Barizan is very uncooperative horse but AP seems to get the best out of him. The horse should have an Asbo as you cannot do anything with him."

Long trip pays off for Vaughan

MANOR PARK, a four-year-old bay gelding having his first run for Aberthaw trainer Tim Vaughan, romped home an easy five lengths winner of the Raceday Hospitality Maiden Hurdle at Wetherby

last Wednesday, October 14.

Confidently ridden by stable jockey Richard Johnson, *Manor Park* was winning for the first time in 14 starts and was Tim's 58th winner of the season. The horse, a former inmate of Jessica Harrington's yard, was running for the first time in 168 days and went to post an odds-on favourite.

All Wales 'Ploughing' championships head for Llantwit in 2010

NEXT year's All Wales Ploughing and Hedging Championships (the 51st) will be held at Boverton Place Farm, near Llantwit Major, on September 18, 2010.

This prestigious rural event – a highlight in many farming calendars – will draw competitors from all over the country into the Vale.

There will be classes which include traditional, reversible and vintage ploughing, plus the ever popular horse ploughing classes.

There will also be traditional style hedging and fencing classes with the winners qualifying for the UK, European and World championships.

The event is held in conjunction with the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society and in order to host such a large scale event, a year of fundraising is planned – starting with an 'Auction of Promises' at All Hallows Church Hall, Miskin on Friday, October 30 at 7pm. All are most welcome to attend.

Sponsorship packages for the event, plus further details, may be obtained from me on 01446 710376.

Other fund raising events are to be held in 2010 including a hog roast in Wick on May 28 and the world famous Wurzels will be entertaining everyone at a Barn Dance on June 17 in St Mary Hill.

JANE JOHN

Under-12s hang on against Llanishen

LLANTWIT Major under-12s welcomed Llanishen to the recreation ground on Sunday, eager to avenge a recent loss at the Barry Vale tournament.

The home side started strongly, playing uphill with the forwards driving well at the rucks and mauls, setting up quality ball for the backs, ably fed by scrum-half Owen Jauncey who had a great game.

Midway through the first half, Llantwit got the ball to Richard Dangerfield, who went on one of his trademark weaving runs from 60 metres out, finishing off between the posts and setting up outside-half Iestyn Jones, who successfully converted.

The second half was hard going for Llantwit who were up against a driving Llanishen side

who were putting on the pressure.

Last ditch cover tackling by Llantwit, especially Joe Griffiths and Keiron West, stopped Llanishen from scoring for most of the half.

Then, 10 minutes from the end, Llanishen finally broke through and scored but failed to convert. With the score at 7-5 to Llantwit, the last minutes of the match were very intense.

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Llantwit junior rugby registration

LLANTWIT Major RFC Mini and Juniors registration day is this Sunday, October 25, at 10.30am.

Anyone who missed our first date will have the opportunity to register with the club.

Registration requirements: Re-registering: £15 registration fee; Initial registration: three passport-sized photos and a £15 registration fee.

If you are no longer playing, please can you return your match top to the clubhouse to ensure there is sufficient kit for this season's players.

Richard Godwin
(Llantwit Major RFC mini and juniors)

PENARTH AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS NEWS

A wonderful walk across the Vale, making a start in 'Owen's Valley'

RECENTLY, Geraint Thomas and his trusty sheep-dog Patch played host to 10 ramblers who joined them for a walk in the lovely Vale.

Blue skies, warm sunshine and beautiful clean fresh air were the order of the day as the group set out in near perfect walking conditions.

They began from the pretty village of Ystradowen – meaning 'Owen's Valley', where the village church was rebuilt entirely in 1867 and is dedicated to St Owain.

They headed to the disused railway line, opened in 1892 as a branch line that connected the lime kilns and small harbour at

Aberthaw to the Great Western Railway at Llantrisant, via Cowbridge.

Unfortunately, the line was not greatly favoured by passenger traffic and that part of the railway was shut down in 1930.

Crossing the old railway line, they climbed uphill to the bramble-covered remains of Talyfan Castle. Standing on a low hill-top between

Ystradowen and Welsh St Donats and established in 1245 by Richard de Clare, it was a grand medieval castle that was maintained into the 15th century but fell into ruins by the early 16th century.

Moving on they reached the densely wooded Hensol Forest and made their way to

Welsh St Donats, where they were pleased to be invited into the striking Norman church with its old gravestone flagged floor, named after the 6th century St Donat (Sain Dunwyd), a friend of St Cadoc.

Crossing fields containing horses and ponies with glorious views across to Penllyn Castle, which stands on a low cliff set in woodland above the Thaw valley, the group made their way to Aberthaw.

Aberthaw, named after the Nant y Berthyn Brook, has no church and no shops, but contains two pubs to cater for thirsty travellers. When the village hall was built in 1749, it was created as Wales' second purpose-built Calvinistic Methodist meeting

house.

Moving on to Newton Moor, the group headed up to the tiny hamlet of Pen y Lan and some rather tricky stiles where extra bars had been added to the initial stiles to make them higher.

Then, finally, they returned downhill back to Ystradowen via its tree-crowned Norman motte.

At the end a calculation was made and during this six-mile walk, the group, despite wherever possible using gates instead of stiles, had crossed 38 stiles, living proof that even short walks can make you fit – at least that was the leader's excuse!

On October 24, meet at 9am at the Barry Waterfront for a 9-mile

moderate walk at Oxwich and Horton at Gower; contact Joy on 01446 737131.

On October 25, meet at 9.30am at the Barry Waterfront for a 5-mile moderate/hard walk at the Clydach Gorge; contact Janet/John on 01446 418514.

Wear suitable clothing, preferably boots and carry waterproofs, food and drinks. Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then please contact the walk leader for advice. For other groups' walk log onto

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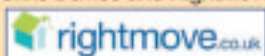


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Funeral Wednesday October 28, service and cremation 2.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend. No flowers by request, donations in lieu, if desired, to Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth c/o J James, 11 Fommon Road, Rhoose.

Evan David
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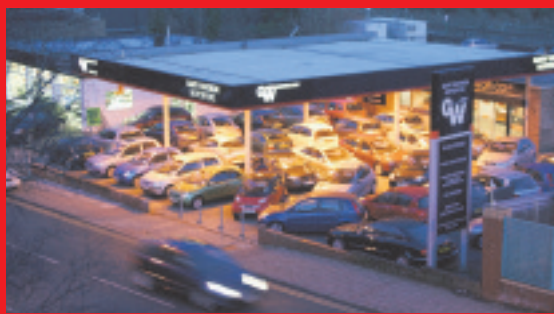
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KARTING STAR TOM ACHIEVES GOAL BY MAKING RIGHT MOVES

TOM HARVEY sent out a warning of intent to his rivals by bouncing back from a stay in hospital to secure a brilliant breakthrough British triumph in the final meeting of 2009 in the Lewis Hamilton and Bernie Ecclestone-backed Formula Kart Stars (FKS) Championship.

Having entered only a handful of FKS rounds last year, Tom's stated objective for this season was a top 15 championship finish to earn

himself a seeded number for 2010.

He has accomplished that goal in style.

Since switching teams mid-season to Fusion Motorsport, the Bonvilton ace has made impressive progress, but his participation in the FKS finale at Whilton Mill in Northamptonshire looked to be in serious doubt after he was rushed into hospital the Monday before the weekend with suspected kidney problems.

However, motivated by the desire to improve by at least five spots from the 20th position he occupied in the points standings ahead of the meeting, Tom was deter-

mined that nothing was going to stop him.

"I really wanted a number in FKS for next year," he confessed.

"The weekend before we had been at Whilton for a club meeting and we had been pushing George Russell, who went on to win the FKS championship – that gave me a huge confidence boost."

A close and hard-fought victory in heat one on Saturday was followed by a stunning second place from 26th on the starting grid in heat two – setting fastest lap along the way for good measure, and a frustrated and unlucky sixth position in heat three left Tom to begin the all-

important grand final from third.

"Connor Jupp, Ricky Collard and I broke away from the pack," the 11-year-old recalled.

"On the last lap Ricky overtook me coming down the hill, but I managed to get back into his tow going along the straight and coming into the 'Boot' section I went wide, because I knew he would go for the inside.

"That allowed me to get the cut-back on him on the exit like I had planned.

"I couldn't stop celebrating on the slowing-down lap. I was over-the-moon to have won a round of FKS for the first time – I'd seriously never expected to do that this year."

It was a superb performance, and reflecting at the end of the weekend, the Cowbridge High School pupil made a point of thanking his team manager, his dad, for being an excellent mechanic, engine-builder Leon Soixante and P1 Racing team boss Richard Amos for prior driving tuition.

Summarising the year as a whole – one that has also seen him clinch the Welsh 'C' Plate honours at his home circuit of Llandow and the Midland Championships at Rissington, prevailing

in all three heats and the final as well as breaking a four-year-old lap record along the way to emulate the feat of F1 World Champion Jenson Button at the same age almost 20 years earlier – Tom admitted that it had far exceeded his expectations.

As he eyes a full-on title charge in 2010 with the number 13 proudly

adorning his kart after successfully achieving his top 15 goal, the Vale of Glamorgan speed demon has high hopes of following in the wheel-tracks of F1's youngest-ever world champion Hamilton, who himself lifted the laurels in FKS' predecessor, McLaren-Mercedes Champions of the Future, 13 years ago. **RA**

Point-to-point season begins

by BRIAN LEE

THE point-to-point season gets under way with the Black Forest Club meeting at Black Forest Lodge on November 29.

A must for all hunting owners, trainers and riders is the Point-To-Point & Hunter Chase Planner 2009/10 (obtainable from Weatherbys Chase, Sanders Road, Wellingborough, Northants, NN8 4BX at £25).

This 440 page annual is a mine of information and it includes a chronological index and race

conditions for all the point-to-points and hunter chases to be run during the coming season.

There's a section on pony racing, useful telephone numbers, information for owners and riders and much, much more.

The Welsh season gets under way earlier than ever with a special West Wales Area Club fixture at Lydstep, near Tenby, on January 3. Racing will start at 11.30am with an open maiden race for mares, and with only one other meeting, the North Norfolk, to be run the same day, a bumper entry can be expected.



ABOVE: Tom savours his podium finish. Picture courtesy of Chris Walker/www.kartpix.net

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Defensive lapses cost Cowbridge RFC dear as they slip to defeat

A LOVELY autumn afternoon welcomed second-placed Senghenydd to the Athletic Field to face Cowbridge, and within eight minutes of the kick-off, they were 12 points up with two tries and a conversion.

A combination of speedy visitors' backs and slack Cowbridge defence did not augur well for the rest of the afternoon. However, heads did not drop and Cowbridge soon settled down with some driving play into the visitors' 22, resulting in a well-taken penalty by centre Edward Lakin.

The Senghenydd backs showed good pace to score their third try, only for Cowbridge to bounce back with some good combination play by Rhys Jones, Huw Lougher and No 10 Harry Davies, only for the loose ball to be kicked into the Cowbridge 22. A cruel bounce of the ball evaded Dewi Edwards for the Senghenydd winger to stroll over.

From the Cowbridge kick-off, a fine drive by Luke Denham and quick ball from Rob Carney saw Harry Davies glide through the defence for a classy try, much to the appreciation of the Cowbridge faithful - Lakin converted.

Cowbridge were down to 14 men just before half-time and again poor defence resulted in a bonus point try for the visitors.

Half-time: Cowbridge 10 Senghenydd 29.

Despite Cowbridge showing plenty of fire, Senghenydd were soon on the scoreboard in the second half with a converted try.

Cowbridge continued to scrap for everything with youngsters Alex Kinsey, Gareth Ward and the returning David Rees in the thick of

things.

With Cowbridge camped in the Senghenydd 22, who were yellow-carded for persistent infringing, it was captain Steve Birchenough who drove over for a well deserved second Cowbridge try.

It was the opposition backs who had the final say with the final try of the day, although some courageous tackling by Lougher and Davies showed what might have been.

Final score: Cowbridge 15 Senghenydd 41.

Despite the score, Cowbridge battled throughout, the dangerous Senghenydd backs being helped by several basic defensive lapses. The scores really should have been a lot closer.

Over on the school field, the mighty Seconds entertained Llanishen Thirds, who included the veteran Jeff Thomas, as featured on Scrum V, and in an entertaining game Cowbridge triumphed 34-17.

They dominated the first half, scoring after 10 minutes with an initial good break by centre Brad Jones, taken on by second row Lewis Ward and flanker Rupert Pembroke, and finally to the on loan from Llanishen centre to score an unconverted try.

Alun Thomas, at No 10, showed he still remains a skilful player with jinks and darts that produced chances.

Cowbridge soon scored again with a switch inside to prop John Summerhayes, who crashed over.

Then a great score started near the Cowbridge try line - from a scrum, Alun Thomas first jinked then kicked past the first line of defence, gathered his kick to put the on loan full-back clear for a 50-metre run in.

In the 30th minute, a blindside break by inspirational captain Chris Lawless put in Brad Jones.

Llanishen opened their account

with a kick ahead and a fortunate bounce back into the right wing's hands. Cowbridge had the last word of the first half with a lovely 30-metre break by Leigh Humphreys to score a try which he also converted.

Cowbridge were able to return two on loan players in the second half, bringing on late arrivals Luke Boys in the back row and the influential Chris Willey at outside-half. Both made telling contributions.

Llanishen also made changes and looked set for an altogether better second half, but it was Cowbridge who scored again - a great try in the corner by Chris Lawless which owed much to an inch-perfect pass by Pembroke, now in the centre.

Hooker Alan Lewis came off for running repairs and Llanishen got their reward with a try from their replacement centre and scored again, as a lucky bounce from a kick ahead went straight over a bemused Pembroke's head into the same centre's hands for a converted try.

In the last 10 minutes, Llanishen were pressing, and it took a great defensive effort to keep them out with Lewis Ward, a still bemused Pembroke and Chris Willey to the fore.

Prop Summerhayes nearly scored the try of the day but lost his footing with all the hard work done.

Final score: 34-17.

Well done to all the players and special mention to debutant Alex Lewis in the second row, and captain Chris Lawless for leading the troops.

This Saturday, the Firsts have another home game against Dinas Powys, looking for a convincing victory - come along and support them.

The Seconds travel to Llanrumney, while the Youth travel to Sully for a league match. **RV/RK**

SCHOOL'S UNDER-10s ARE JUST CHAMPION!



ABOVE: As reported in last week's GEM, Cowbridge Comprehensive School's year-10 team recently swept to victory in the Bishopston Rugby Sevens.

The team is pictured with the DC Price cup after winning the final against Glantaf by 47-7. Also, Christian Roberts Walters (left) was named player of the tournament.



Mixed fortunes for Cowbridge's squash team

WEEK three of the Autumn squash leagues saw Cowbridge A Bar 44 travel to far flung Monmouth A, where another excellent 5-0 performance was turned in.

Nick Guard and Garfield Leach chalked up 3-0 results at No 1 and No 3 respectively, while they were ably supported with 3-1 results in the remaining rubbers from Jon Bisson (No 2), Niall Sloan (No 4) and James Page (No 5).

Despite James' 100 per cent record, he finds the employment and romantic pull of the City of London too much to resist and sadly won't be playing for the Cowbridge side in the foreseeable

months (or even years). All at the club wish him the very best for the future.

Cowbridge B Bar 44 played their first home match of the season, playing hosts to seasoned campaigners Fairwater A.

Over the years, there have been many keenly-contested matches between the two clubs - this proved no exception. Julian Jenkins fought an epic encounter at No 5 but was just edged out 7-9 in the fifth rubber to lose 2-3 to old adversary Tony Baird.

Meanwhile, Steve Morris had put in another sterling performance at No 4 to beat Paul Soulsby 3-0. Chris Ranger at No 3 was rather slow to come out of the blocks, losing the first rubber 1-9 but made significant changes to his tactics and turned in a 3-1 victory.

Paul Reynish at No 2 was employing a thoughtfully put together game plan to fly into a 2-0 lead, only for tragedy to strike with injury and he was forced to retire.

This left the match finely balanced at 2-2 with No 1s Simon Payne and Chris Gonzalez to battle it out for the match bonus points.

The Cowbridge No 1 had a very shaky start, and narrowly lost the first 8-10.

After some gruelling rallies, which the Fairwater player was finding hard to live with, Simon ran out a worthy 3-1 winner to take the match for the Bs - keeping up their 100 per cent record.

Following last week's 0-5 reverse, the Cowbridge Cs faced another stiff chal-

lenge from league leaders Rhiwbina D at the Cowbridge Athletic Ground.

The away team proved worthy league leaders and inflicted another 0-5 result on Colin Giles and his men.

Colin himself managed to post a point on the board, as did Phil Matthews at No 4, while Mike Burnett lost 2-3 for the second week running.

Sadly, Dave Matthews and Tony Steele drew blanks at Nos 2 and 3 respectively.

This week's entertainment sees Cowbridge B Bar 44 at home to Barry Leisure A, while the Cs entertain the students from Cardiff University B. Meanwhile, the Cowbridge A Bar 44 team travel north to Llantrisant B.

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